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## PREFACE

This inventory of the Reformed Dutch Church archives in New York City is part of a nation-wide survey of church records of every denomination. The objective is to compile inventories of church records which would prove valuable to writers, historians, social workers, genealogists, and students of religious history. To supplement the inventory and, at times to clarify the records a brief historical sketch of each congregation is included. The survey was conducted by the Historical Records Survey, of which Luther H. Evans is the national director, and was undertaken for the purpose of providing useful work for needy unemployed. In this group, which range in age from 18 to 65 years, were included a teacher, a lawyer, a rabbi, a clergyman, a pharmacist, a social worker, and a radio telegrapher.

The present work is the first of a series, which, when completed, will include all denominations in New York City. In this volume the Project has listed every congregation of the Reformed Church in America which has existed in the five boroughs of Greater New York. In the course of preparing the inventory, some records, assumed to have been lost, and others long misplaced, were located. Records, which heretofore have been scattered among church officials in various locations have been centralized, and in some cases, records found to be in poor condition have since been reconditioned by their custodians. The Project has impressed upon many custodians the historical and social value of church records, as well as their usefulness in supplementing available vital statistics. It is hoped that publication of this and subsequent inventories will result in locating and preserving many church record books now believed lost.

The aid of ministers, church officials, and members was a prime factor in completing this inventory. Their patience and cooperation are gratefully acknowledged. Special mention is made of the Rev. John A. Ingham, D.D., Stated Clerk of the General Synod, and the Rev. John Gilmore Addy, Stated Clerk of the South Classis of Long Island, for their friendly and expert assistance. The New Jersey Historical Records Survey furnished the information regarding the records located in the Gardner Sage Library of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary.

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The problem of establishing a date of organization has been somewhat difficult due to the unions, mergers, consolidations, and dissolutions of churches, and comparatively frequent population shifts. As a general rule, the date claimed by the church, the records of the classis, or synod, and corporate certificates, have been the ruling factors.

The entries are arranged in chronological order, the date of organization being that of the establishment of a worshipping group into an independent congregation. During the period that a congregation was a station, mission, chapel, or branch of another church, they are treated as a part of that church, usually in the form of a sub-entry (see entry 1-E). Mention of a congregation's earlier existence is made, or suitable cross reference is given to clarify the question of the actual establishment of a church.

In the case of consolidations where the congregations concerned in the merger lose their identity, each church is treated in a separate entry, and the congregation which is the outcome of the merger is listed in its chronological order (see entries 101, 108, 152). Congregations which retain their identity, continue their original organization date, regardless of the organization date of the absorbed church.

Congregations of a different denomination are taken up chronologically as of the date they are accepted as members of the Reformed Church in America (see entry 101).

#### FORM OF ENTRY

The entries follow a uniform style and are divided into four parts as follows:

1. Heading: Includes number, popular name, followed by corporate title (in full) where known, organization date followed by two hyphens indicate a living church, date of demise (if defunct), street address, and borough. In Richmond and Queens geographic locations are included, however, these location names do not always coincide with the post office address, (a location in Queens may be served by a Brooklyn Post Office - etc.).
2. Text: Includes a brief sketch of the church, confined chiefly to origin, change of names, locations, and mergers. Dedication and incorporation dates are given when known. Cross references are given for convenience of the reader, and do not necessarily indicate that further information may be found there. Citations of original source material is given. Names of congregations other than Reformed include their denomination, and for information regarding them, see forthcoming inventories for the denomination concerned. Names of first and present clergymen, their tenure and educational background are given. Where the educational background of a clergyman is omitted, it does not signify lack of such background, but that the information was withheld, or was not known to the Survey. Degrees of living clergymen have been omitted in all entries.



3. Bibliography: Items pertaining to the particular church. Unless otherwise stated, their location is the church. Symbols (see list of abbreviations) indicate library where item is located.

4. Records: In some instances the records were not actually checked by the Survey. However, the information was given by authorized officials of the church and may be considered accurate. Where gaps in the records occur it indicates the records were not located; or information was withheld. In entries where no mention of records is made, records could not be located.

Unless otherwise stated, all records prior to 1784 are written in Dutch; since that year they are recorded in English; if not noted the records are in good condition.

The minister is the technical custodian of all church records. The records are not open to the general public, inquiries regarding a specific record should be directed to the minister. When a record is not located in the church or adjoining buildings, the location of the record, with name and address of custodian is noted, excepting in such instances, as when the Survey was asked not to publish such information. A symbol (see list of abbreviations) is given to designate a public depository of records. For published records see bibliography.

## ORGANIZATION

Each Reformed Dutch Church is governed by a minister, elders, and deacons, who collectively are known as the Consistory. A consistory may embrace more than one church, in which case, the organization is spoken of as collegiate. Deacons care for the financial interest of the church, while the minister and elders are concerned solely with its spiritual interests.

The classis, a unit of church government which corresponds closely with the presbytery, is composed of all ministers and one elder from each church within a given district. Additional representation is allowed to collegiate churches. A larger unit of church government, usually embracing one or more states, is the Particular Synod. It is composed of four ministers and four elders from each church within its geographical area. This body acts as a general appellate and supervisory agent for the churches and classis within it.

The highest governmental body is the General Synod, composed of two ministers and two elders from every classis with three thousand or less communicants. Additional representation is allowed for larger classes.





The minister, elders, and deacons are required to submit definite data, at periodic intervals, to the classis and synod. This material is later compiled and published in the minutes of the General Synod. The information is taken from the records recorded by the minister and other officials of the church, and are described as follows:

Minutes of the Consistory cover strictly the business of the church.

Minutes of elders and deacons include the spiritual work, benevolences, and names of members received and dismissed.

Baptism records include name of child, date of birth, date baptized, names of parents and sponsors.

Marriage records include date of marriage, name of contracting parties, parents name and names of witnesses.

Membership Register includes name. of member, date received, date of dismissions of death. Also names of ministers, elders, and deacons, with tenure.

Burial records include: name of deceased, date of death, place interred.





Few abbreviations have been used, and only those in common usage; for location of records and bibliography in public or semi-public depositories symbols approved by the Union Catalog are used as follows:

NB	Brooklyn Public Library 197 Montague Street, Brooklyn - 1 Hanson Place
NBLiHi	Long Island Historical Society Library 130 Pierpont Street, Brooklyn
NHi	New York Historical Society Library
NjNbs	Gardner Sage Library of the New Brunswick Theological Seminary New Brunswick, New Jersey
NN	The New York Public Library 5th Avenue & 42nd Street, New York City
NNG	General Theological Seminary Library 175 Ninth Avenue, New York City
NNNG	New York Genealogical and Biographical Society Library 124 East 58th Street, New York City
NNQ	Queens Borough Public Library 89-14 Parsons Boulevard, Queens
NNSII	Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences Library Stuyvesant Place, Richmond
NNUT	Union Theological Seminary Library Broadway & 120th Street, New York City

accts.	- accounts	no.	- number
anniv.	- anniversary	n.p.	- no place
col.	- college	pub.	- publication
comp.	- compiler	rec.	- record
cop.	- copyist	rel.	- religious
ecc.	- ecclesiastical	Rev.	- Reverend
ed.	- editor; education	secy,	- secretary
inc.	- incorporated	sem.	- seminary
loc.	- located	tr.	- translator
ms.	- manuscript	treas.	- treasurer
n.d.	- no date	univ.	- university



## HISTORICAL SKETCH

### The Dutch Period

Probably the first Christian religious services in New Netherland were conducted by comforters of the sick (Krankenbezoekers), who were sent and supported by the Dutch West India Company.<sup>1</sup> So far as is known, the earliest of these comforters was Bastien Jansen Krol, who arrived with the first colonists under Cornelius May and founded the first Dutch Reformed Church in North America at Fort Orange (Albany) in 1624.<sup>2</sup> After a few months at Fort Orange, Comforter Krol returned to Holland to obtain a minister for New Netherland. However, the settlement was not considered large enough to warrant a minister, and Bastien Krol returned to New Netherland with power to baptize and marry, provided he used the liturgy of the church in his services.<sup>3</sup> When Deacon Peter Minuit arrived in 1626 to take charge of the colony, he ordered that the settlement should center about the southern portion of Manhattan Island. Soon after Peter Minuit's order, Comforter Krol left Fort Orange to become the first comforter at New Amsterdam. He was joined in July 1626, by Jan Huygens, who had been commissioned as a "Ziekentrooster", or a seeker out of the sick.<sup>4</sup>

The comforters of the sick were required to read prayers every morning and evening, as well as before and after meals, to instruct and comfort the sick, exhort those who required or requested exhortation, and to read chapters from the Bible and sermons of an ordained minister. The comforters were empowered to baptize and marry, but could not administer Holy Communion.<sup>5</sup> A special form of service was prepared for them to read.<sup>6</sup> At a horse mill built by Francis Molemaecker in 1626, the settlers attended divine services in a room especially constructed to accommodate the congregation.<sup>7</sup>

In 1628, the Dutch West India Company sent the Reverend Jonas Michaelius as the first ordained minister to New Netherland. Domine Michaelius was commissioned by the Classis of Enkhuyzen, but shortly after his commission, the supervision of ecclesiastical affairs in the colonies of the Dutch West India

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1. New York State, Ecclesiastical Records, Albany, 1901, (hereafter cited as Ecclesiastical Records), I, p. 46.
  2. Isaac N. P. Stokes, Iconography of Manhattan Island, 1498-1909, New York, 1915-1918, IV, 54.
  3. Ibid., p. 40.
  4. Ibid., p. 66.
  5. Ibid., p. 54.
  6. For a complete description of the comforter's service, see Ecclesiastical Records, I, 47.
  7. J. Franklin Jameson, (ed.), Narratives of New Netherland, 1609-1664, New York, 1909, pp. 83-84.





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Company passed to the Classis of Amsterdam.<sup>8</sup> The formation of the Reformed Dutch Church on Manhattan Island is described in a letter from Domine Michaelius, in which he declared that "from the beginning we established the form of a church", the government of which consisted of Michaelius as pastor, Peter Minuit as elder, and Jan Huygens as deacon.<sup>9</sup> This first consistory, or local church government in Manhattan, was responsible to and under the control of the Classis of Amsterdam.

Domine Michaelius had a three year contract with the Dutch West India Company and upon his return to the Netherlands, he was succeeded by Domine Everardus Bogardus, who arrived with Director Van Twiller in 1633. Shortly after his arrival, the meeting place above the horse mill was replaced by a frame building with a gambrel roof, but without a spire or belfry.<sup>10</sup> The dissatisfaction of the people of the colony with this building, combined with the fact that Director Kieft, the successor of Van Twiller, desired to leave a monument to himself, led to the building of a new church in 1647. This was the famous church-in-the-fort built partly by subscriptions and partly from pledges raised during the wedding feast of the daughter of Domine Bogardus.<sup>11</sup>

In 1647 Director Kieft and Domine Bogardus resigned their posts in New Netherland. In the same year, Reverend Johannes Backerus stopped at New Netherland, on his way to Holland. He was persuaded to stay and supply the church in the fort, until 1649, when Domine Johannes Megapolensis was called from Rensselaerwyck (Albany) to assume charge at Manhattan. This zealous preacher gave the rest of his life to the development of the Reformed Dutch Church in New York City.<sup>12</sup>

The post left vacant by Director Kieft in 1647 was filled by Peter Stuyvesant. From him the Reformed Dutch Church, which was the state church in New Netherland, received great aid. Under his rule, laws previously enacted to compel Sunday observance were rigorously enforced.<sup>13</sup> In addition, Stuyvesant and his council enacted new laws in the interest of the church. In 1647 a law was passed restricting the sale of liquor and the frequenting

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8. Charles E. Corwin, A Manual of the Reformed Church in America, 5th ed., New York, 1922, p. 2. Hereafter cited as Corwin, Manual. The classis, which had immediate supervision of the churches and the ministry, consisted of all the ministers and an elder from each consistory within the district covered by the classis. Collegiate Churches were entitled to an elder from each worshipping assembly. The classis within whose bounds the commercial company had its offices was declared to be in charge of the Company's ecclesiastical matters. The Dutch West India Company's main offices were in Amsterdam.
  9. Jameson, op. cit., pp. 125-26 and Ecclesiastical Records, I, 48-68. This letter was discovered in 1858, until which time, no record of Rev. Michaelius was available. The original is now in the New York Public Library.
  10. William L. Brower and Henry P. Miller, Collegiate Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of New York, New York, 1928, p. 12.
  11. New York State Historical Association, History of the State of New York, edited by Alexander C. Flick, New York, 1933-1937 (hereafter cited as Flick), I, 346.
  12. Ibid., II, 7.
  13. Edmund B. O'Callaghan, (ed.), Laws and Ordinances of New Netherland, 1638-1674, Albany, 1868, p. 25.



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of taverns on the Lord's Day.<sup>14</sup> In 1657 a law prohibiting all labor on the Sabbath was enacted.<sup>15</sup> A law of 1664 required schoolmasters to catechize their children every Wednesday in the presence of the elders and ministers of the church.<sup>16</sup>

Stuyvesant was disturbed by the question of religious freedom. The Directors of the Dutch West India Company had ruled in 1640 that "no other religion shall be publicly admitted in New Netherland except the Reformed," and Peter Stuyvesant was eager to carry out this ruling.<sup>17</sup> English settlers, adhering to Presbyterian doctrines, had been given religious freedom by Director Kieft in 1644.<sup>18</sup> The continued increase in their numbers caused Stuyvesant and Domine Megapolensis to request that the Classis of Amsterdam send over a minister to preach in English to these settlers.<sup>19</sup> In response, the Reverend Samuel Drisius, formerly pastor of the Dutch Church in London, (Austin Friars), and capable of preaching in Dutch, English, French and German, was sent to New Amsterdam to become the colleague of Domine Megapolensis.<sup>20</sup> The collegiate system, whereby two or more congregations are controlled by a single consistory, was thus inaugurated in the Dutch Reformed Church in New York City, and is still in existence.

Although the English Calvinists did not trouble Stuyvesant, the coming of the Quakers, Jews and Lutherans did. Stuyvesant and his council enacted severe laws against them, which, if effectively enforced, would have destroyed their freedom of worship. The Lutherans carried a protest to the Dutch West India Company. The Directors of that body rebuked the fiery Stuyvesant for his undue severity and ordered him not to enforce the laws prohibiting worship by Lutherans and other sects.<sup>21</sup>

Under Peter Stuyvesant the services of the Reformed Church on the Sabbath were highly ceremonial. All labor was required to cease, and the family groups, clad in their finest raiment, journeyed from all parts of the settlement to the church services. Both the schout of the town and the town crier made their rounds to preserve the peace and to enforce the liquor laws. The service was preceded by a parade of dignitaries, led by the marshal of the council who marched down the aisle before Governor General Peter Stuyvesant. The governor was followed by the provincial secretary, the burgomasters and schepens, all of whom sat on the velvet cushions carried, by the town marshal, from the State House to the place of worship.<sup>22</sup>

The service was in the Dutch language. A "fore singer" or clerk sat in a desk under the pulpit, or in a deacon's pew, and began the service by admonishing the people to, "Hear with reverence the Word of the Lord". He then

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14. Ibid., p. 61.

15. Ibid., pp. 258, 416.

16. Ibid., p. 461.

17. Flick, II, 12.

18. Ibid., pp. 42-43, 49, 51.

19. Ecclesiastical Records, I, 302.

20. Ibid., p. 303-304; Brower and Miller, op. cit., p. 13. There is no documentary evidence that Drisius preached in the English language.

21. O'Callaghan, op. cit., p. 211-213.

22. James W. Gerard, The Old Streets of New York under the Dutch, New York, 1874, pp. 40-44; Willard D. Brown, A History of The Reformed Church in America, New York, 1928, pp. 34-37.





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read the commandments, and announced the psalm to be sung. During the psalm, the minister entered the church, knelt in prayer, and ascended the high pulpit. From this elevation he preached a sermon, usually lasting three hours. If he exceeded this length of time he would be admonished by three raps of the clerk's cane on the floor. At the end of the service, the clerk inserted in his staff the notices to be read and handed them to the minister. After these were read, the pastor admonished the congregation to be of help to the poor. The deacons then collected the offerings in leather bags which hung at the end of long poles; a hymn was sung, and the congregation then filed out.<sup>23</sup>

Meanwhile, the Reformed Church in New York City continued to grow. Branches of the Reformed Church developed in Flatbush, New Amersfort, Brooklyn, Long Island, and Harlem. Reverend Johannes Thadeus Polhemus was the first pastor of the three congregations on Long Island, but he was soon replaced by the Reverend Henricus Selyns, who became pastor at Brooklyn in 1660, and also minister at the chapel in Stuyvesant's bowery, now the site of St. Mark's Episcopal Church. The congregations on Long Island were also becoming stronger.<sup>24</sup> The minister to the three churches was assisted by a "voorleser" or clerk, who, besides being assistant minister (reading sermons), taught school, dug graves, rang the church bell, led the singing, and was also to serve as messenger to the consistory. This individual was an important figure in the early Reformed Churches of New York, as most of the churches could not support a minister themselves, and were supplied by one or two ministers serving a group of churches.<sup>25</sup>

### Under the English

The seizure of New Netherland in 1664, by the English fleet under Governor Nicholls arrested the development of the Reformed Dutch Church in New York. Since fewer Dutch immigrants came to New York, the increase of communicants in the Church was seriously curtailed. The gravest problem facing the Reformed Church was that of supporting the three ministers, and maintaining the churches, since financial support by the Dutch West India Company had been cut off.

Another problem created by the English seizure of New Netherland was the question of ecclesiastical sovereignty. Although the communicants of the Reformed Dutch Church in New York were now English subjects, the church

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23. A Brief Account of An Historic Church, New York, 1904, pp. 12-13. Presumably this was the type of service used in the early eighteenth century. In some of the Reformed Churches, consistory pews were installed with Bible-rests, where the consistory kept notice of the domines' interpretations of the Scripture. An example of such a pew may be seen today in the Marble Collegiate Church in New York City.
24. J. Frederic Berg, The Collegiate Churches of Kings County, in Tercentenary Studies, New York, 1928, p. 35. See inventory for dates of the various church organizations.
25. Ibid., pp. 37-38; Edgar Tilton, The Reformed Low Dutch Church of Harlem, New York, 1910, ch. 1. The churches of Richmond and Queens Counties were also served by this office.



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still acknowledged allegiance to the Classis of Amsterdam. It was more than a century before a solution was found for this problem.

In the main, the Dutch Church in New York was well treated by the English. The articles of surrender, in 1664, had provided that "The Dutch here shall enjoy the liberty of their consciences in Divine Worship and Church discipline." The same document also protected the Dutch Churches by providing that no public buildings were to be molested.<sup>26</sup> When the Dutch were told to swear allegiance to the English government, they refused until an appendix was added to the oath stating that "it was conformable to the articles concluded on the surrender of this plan."<sup>27</sup> Freedom of religion was further guaranteed under the Duke's Laws.<sup>28</sup>

To solve the problem of supporting the Dutch Church, the members of which constituted the larger part of New York's population, Governor Nicholls, in 1665, directed the city authorities to levy a tax to pay unpaid salaries of the Dutch clergyman.<sup>29</sup> In 1670, Governor Lovelace guaranteed a salary to any Dutch minister who would come to New York and assist the aged Domine Drisius. This offer brought Domine William Van Nieuwenhuysen, the first minister selected by the Classis of Amsterdam after the surrender of the province.<sup>30</sup> The Dutch reciprocated English friendship by allowing the Anglicans to use the church in the fort after the Dutch services had been completed.<sup>31</sup>

The friendly attitude of the English government toward the Dutch Church was disturbed somewhat when the Dutch element in the colony repeatedly defeated all attempts to establish the Church of England in New York. After reoccupying New York in 1674, the English governors redoubled their efforts to establish the Anglican faith, but, in the main, were unsuccessful. In 1691, William of Orange granted the colonists the right to elect an assembly to enact legislation.<sup>32</sup> This assembly, preponderantly Dutch, became the bulwark of the Dutch Reformed Church in New York. Requests by governors of the colony that an act be passed establishing the Church of England were continually denied by the assembly.<sup>33</sup>

In the midst of these attempts to establish the Anglican Church, the Reformed Church continued in its work. It completed a new church in 1694, and left the church-in-the-fort to the English chaplain who conducted services there. Under Domine Selyns the Church conducted a fight for a charter from 1688 to 1696, and, on May 11, 1696, that charter, drawn up by the best legal talent in the colony, was signed by Governor Fletcher.<sup>34</sup>

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26. Ecclesiastical Records, I, 563-564.

27. Ibid., p. 564.

28. New York Colony, The Colonial Laws of New York, Albany, 1894, (hereafter cited as Colonial Laws), pp. 24-26.

29. Edward T. Corwin, History of the Reformed Church Dutch, Reformed Church German, and the Moravian Church in the United States, New York, 1895, pp. 67-68.

30. Ecclesiastical Records, I, 611, 616.

31. Ibid., III, 1659.

32. Colonial Laws, I, pp. 244-248.

33. E.T. Corwin, op. cit., pp. 42-43.

34. E.T. Corwin, p. 44, Ecclesiastical Records, II, 1136.





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The Charter of 1696 was the first granted to any religious body by the English government in New York.<sup>35</sup> By this charter the Reformed Dutch Church in New York, now known as the Collegiate Church was incorporated under the name of "The Ministers, Elders, and Deacons of The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of New York."<sup>36</sup> The members of the Church were given freedom of religion; perpetual succession of ministers in the church was assured and the Church's property was confirmed to it. The charter, in great detail, gave the Church a right to elect officers, call ministers, assess members for the maintenance of the Church, sell or rent property, have a private income, and to sue and be sued.<sup>37</sup>

The possession of a charter did not completely protect the Dutch Church from English Governors, particularly Governor Cornbury. Attempts on the part of the latter, to control the appointment of a minister to the Dutch churches in Long Island led in 1706 to the migration of many members of the Dutch Church in New York to New Jersey. They settled in the Raritan and Millstone valleys of New Jersey, and founded many churches in a section later known as "The Garden of the Dutch Church."<sup>38</sup> In spite of these temporary setbacks, at the opening of the eighteenth century, the Dutch Church in New York was the largest as well as the oldest religious group in the colony.<sup>39</sup>

As the Church developed and required new ministers, the problem of ecclesiastical control grew larger. The Classis of Amsterdam still examined and licensed all ministers in the Reformed Church in America, and arbitrated all ecclesiastical disputes. The demand for new ministers to supply the American churches could not be met by the Classis of Amsterdam, as the salaries were small, and prospects of preaching in the wilderness were not alluring. The churches of America sent some of their promising men to the Netherlands, but this was not a solution to the problem of supplying a ministry for America. Accordingly a movement developed in the American Reformed Dutch Church for freedom from Dutch control.<sup>40</sup>

One step in that direction was the formation, in 1747, of a coetus, permission for the institution of which was obtained from the classis in Amsterdam.<sup>41</sup> This Coetus was a national church body composed of a minister and elder from each church. Its function was to consider ecclesiastical matters, which lay beyond the sphere of individual churches, and which formerly had been dealt with by the Classis of Amsterdam. For consideration of local questions, the Coetus was divided into local bodies, called "circles," the churches of New York City, Long Island, and Poughkeepsie comprising the Circle of New York.<sup>42</sup>

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35. Trinity Church, of the Anglican faith, received its charter May 6, 1697; see Ecclesiastical Records, II, 1136-65.

36. Ibid., 1145.

37. For a copy of the charter of 1696 see Ibid., II, 1136-65.

38. Corwin, Manual, p. 52.

39. E.T. Corwin "The Ecclesiastical Condition of New York at the Opening of the Eighteenth Century", American Church History Papers, 2nd Series, III, (1912) 101.

40. For a discussion of this problem see Corwin, Manual, pp. 56-57.

41. Ibid., p. 59.

42. Ecclesiastical Records, IV, 2978.



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Although the organization of the Coetus was an important step toward independence for American churches, it did not solve their problem of supplying ministers. In that matter, the Church was entirely subordinate to the Classis of Amsterdam, which retained the power to license candidates for the ministry. Opposition to this limitation led to a struggle between two groups in the Reformed Dutch Church in America; the Coetus group which sought the power to license and ordain its own ministers; and the Conferentie group, which favored subordination to the classis of Amsterdam. The lack of unity in the Dutch Reformed Church resulted in the dissolution of the Coetus in 1754.

The conflict in the Church continued unabated until the question of installing an English speaking minister in the Reformed Dutch Church arose. The importance of this problem overshadowed the dispute between the Coetus and the Conferentie groups.<sup>43</sup>

A strong movement for an English speaking ministry in the Dutch Church of New York had arisen by the middle of the eighteenth century.<sup>44</sup> English was the language of the courts in New York and was spoken by the young people at their places of work.<sup>45</sup> After having previously denied several requests by communicants for an English speaking ministry, the New York Church, with the concurrence of the Classis of Amsterdam, selected Domine Archibald Laidlie, in 1763, to preach in English.<sup>46</sup> This innovation was opposed by a group of conservative Dutch, who appealed to the Classis of Amsterdam to forbid English sermons in the Church on Manhattan Island, but that body refused to do so.<sup>47</sup>

While studying for the ministry in the Netherlands, John H. Livingston presented to the Classis of Amsterdam a plan of union for the American Reformed Dutch Church. According to this plan, each Reformed Dutch church in America was to form a part of a local group called a coventus, similar to the old circle. Delegates from each coventus were to compose a general coetus, a national body which was to meet each year. The General Coetus was to have power to examine and ordain prospective ministers, provided that the Classis of Amsterdam was notified of these proceedings. The bond between Holland and America was not to be broken, nor were the American churches to be allowed the use of the names Classis and Synod.<sup>48</sup>

Upon completion of his studies in the Netherlands, Dr. Livingston, a graduate of Yale College, and the last minister to study and receive his license in Holland, accepted a call of the Manhattan Consistory to fill the pulpit of a new church.<sup>49</sup> Under his direction, a conference was held in New York at which the plan of union was adopted. Slight modifications were made in the proposed plan, such, as the substitution of the term "general body" for coetus and "particular body" for coventus.<sup>50</sup> Upon approval of these

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43. Corwin, Manual, pp. 55-65.

44. Ecclesiastical Records, IV, 2971.

45. Ibid., p. 2563.

46. Ibid., pp. 3878-79.

47. Ibid., pp. 3898-99. For a recent account of the introduction of English into the Dutch Church, see Thomas J. Wirtenbaker, The Founding of American Civilization in the Middle Colonies, New York, 1938, ch. 3-4.

48. For the "Plan of Union" see Ecclesiastical Records, VI, 4120-25.

49. Ibid., p. 4136; Corwin, Manual, pp. 69, 71. This was the first Reformed Dutch Church in New York built to be used exclusively for English services.

50. Ecclesiastical Records, VI, 4218-26.





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modifications by the Classis of Amsterdam, the American Reformed Church now became free of Dutch control.<sup>51</sup>

The Church, in the main, supported the American Revolutionary movement and two of the Church's prominent ministers were outspoken champions of the colonists' cause.<sup>52</sup> When the British troops occupied New York City, after the Battle of Long Island, the pastors of the Reformed Church in New York City fled for safety, leaving their congregations without services from 1776 to 1783.<sup>53</sup> The British commandeered for their use the Reformed Dutch Churches on Manhattan Island. The New (later Middle) Church was first used as a prison, and later as a riding academy. The North Church was stripped of its furniture and used as a hospital.<sup>54</sup> A group of Loyalist Church-members were allowed to use the old Garden Street Church, where they listened to Domine Lydekker, a Loyalist minister from New Jersey. In 1779, the Garden Street Church was also used as a hospital and Domine Lydekker accepted the offer of Trinity Corporation to use the St. George's Chapel.<sup>55</sup>

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Dr. Livingston was the only one of the four ministers of the Collegiate Church, who had been in service at the outbreak of hostilities, to return to his charge in New York City.<sup>56</sup> Immediately after his return to the Garden Street Church on December 7, 1783, he set to work to clarify the legal status of his church, gather his scattered congregation and rebuild the churches.

Despite the fact that all charters which had been granted by the English government to ecclesiastical bodies were guaranteed in the Constitution of 1777, the Reformed Dutch Church petitioned the legislature for a ruling on its 1696 charter.<sup>57</sup> In 1784 the legislature reaffirmed the charter of 1696 granted to the Reformed Church in New York City, thus putting at rest any doubts concerning the charter's validity. By this reaffirmation, the Collegiate Church retained its original powers, except that of assessing members to pay for Church salaries and repairs.<sup>58</sup> In 1784, the state legislature also passed a general act for the incorporation of religious societies of all denominations.<sup>59</sup> This act enabled the religious bodies of the state

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51. Ibid., pp. 4240-41, 4242-48; Corwin, Manual, pp. 71-72.

52. C. E. Corwin, "Incidents of Reformed Church Life in New York City During the Revolutionary War", (hereafter cited as Corwin, "Incidents") in Presbyterian Historical Society Journal, IX, (1916-18) pp. 359-363. For a recent work on this period see Oscar T. Barck, New York City During the War for Independence, New York, 1931, ch. viii.

53. Corwin, "Incidents" p. 359, Domine Ritzema, senior pastor of the Collegiate Church, carried the records of the church with him, including the charter.

54. Ibid., p. 364.

55. Ibid., pp. 365-66. See also Ecclesiastical Records, VI, 4304-05.

56. Ibid., pp. 361-63. Domine Laidlie had died in 1779; Domines Ritzema and De Ronde had been pensioned by the New York Consistory.

57. Constitution, 1777, art. XXXVI.

58. Murray Hoffman, Ecclesiastical Law in the State of New York, New York, 1863, pp. 110-11.

59. Laws, 1784, ch. 18.



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to appoint trustees to act as a body corporate and to assume charge of any church's finances. Prior to this time, the finances of the Dutch Reformed Church had been managed by the minister, elder and deacon of each church. Since the Dutch Reformed Church desired the continuance of this method of financial organization, it petitioned the state legislature to limit the application of the law of 1784.<sup>60</sup> Accordingly, in the second section of an act of 1813, which was concerned with religious liberties, a clause was inserted "Provided always that nothing therein contained shall be construed in any manner to impair or alter the rights of any chartered churches within this state."<sup>61</sup> This gave legal sanction to the traditional manner in which the Church had administered its finances.

The second problem that confronted Dr. Livingston was that of reviving the Church and rebuilding its edifices. The Garden Street and the Old North Churches were quickly repaired, and the Middle Church was completely rebuilt.<sup>62</sup> Yet, although the churches were ready for services, the congregations did not attain their pre-war size. In fact, from 1785 to 1800, the membership of the Reformed Church in New York City continually declined and no new members were added during the 1790's.<sup>63</sup> Charles William Janson, an Englishman traveling in the United States during this period, recorded in his diary that many of the Dutch in New York City were attending the Episcopal Church.<sup>64</sup> The people had been without services for so long, that it was a difficult task to draw them into the Church again. But the Reformed Dutch Church in New York City, under the guidance of Dr. Livingston, persevered in its task of rebuilding the Church. In 1787, the Collegiate Consistory called Rev. William Linn, formerly a Presbyterian, to aid Dr. Livingston and, in 1789, Rev. Gerardus A. Kuypers was called to preach in Dutch.<sup>65</sup> The churches in Queens County not only endeavored to repair the damages done to the Church during the war, but also called Domine Van Nest in 1785. Under his leadership, the Reformed Churches in Queens prospered. In the early part of the nineteenth century the four Queens churches discarded the collegiate system, each church calling its own pastor.<sup>66</sup>

The Collegiate Churches of Kings County, likewise disrupted by the war, united in calling the Rev. Martinus Schoenmaker. Under his guidance the congregations soon attained their pre-war size. The churches of Brooklyn, New Utrecht, Flatbush and Bushwick prospered to the extent that, by 1824, they too discarded the collegiate system.<sup>67</sup>

Soon after the establishment of an independent America, the Dutch Reformed Church reorganized its government. The names Synod and Classis were substituted for the names General Body and Particular Body respectively.<sup>68</sup>

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60. Laws, 1784, ch. 9.

61. Laws, 1813, ch. 60, sec. 2.

62. Sidney I. Pomerantz, New York, An American City 1783-1803, New York, 1938, p. 378.

63. Ibid., pp. 387, 393.

64. Charles W. Janson, The Stranger in America 1793-1806, New York, 1935, p. 101.

65. Pomerantz, op. cit., p. 377.

66. Oscar Maddaus, The Collegiate Churches of Queens County, Tercentenary Studies, pp. 62-63.

67. For discussions of the post-war development of these churches, see Tercentenary Studies, in which will be found essays covering these divisions of the church.





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A committee was appointed to translate and publish the doctrines of the Church, and the articles of Church government. In addition, seventy-three explanatory articles were added to the articles of Church government, the added articles applying particularly to the American Reformed Church.<sup>69</sup> The work of this committee was approved by the Reformed Dutch Churches in America and, in 1792, it became the first constitution of the Church.<sup>70</sup>

Under this constitution, the Church subscribed to the doctrines of the Apostles, the Nicene, and the Athanasian Creeds, the Belgic Confession, the doctrines of the Synod of Dort, and the Heidelberg Catechism.<sup>71</sup> The government of the Church was organized into consistories, classes, particular synods and a General Synod.<sup>72</sup> The Consistory, the basic local government in the Church, was composed of the elder, the deacon, and the minister of each church. The Classis was composed of all ministers in a district, plus an elder from each consistory. The Classis functioned as the body of "general superintendence" over churches within its boundaries, and had the power, in conjunction with the Particular Synod, to examine and license students for the ministry.<sup>73</sup> The Classis was the first branch of the appellate division in the Reformed Dutch Church to which the individual churches might go to seek advice and orders.<sup>74</sup> The Particular Synod, composed of four ministers and four elders from each classis was to superintend the affairs of the various classes within its boundaries. Above these bodies was the General Synod, whose members, nominated by the Particular Synod, and elected by the various classes, constituted the final court of appeal in the Church.<sup>75</sup> To the General Synod was also delegated the important power of formulating Church policies.<sup>76</sup>

Since 1792, the organization of the Church as outlined above has remained substantially unchanged. Some modifications in the geographical boundaries of classes have been made, but the articles concerning the individual churches have remained unaltered.<sup>77</sup> In 1793, the Reformed Dutch Churches of Queens, Richmond, Kings Counties, Manhattan and Harlem were organized into the Classis of New York.<sup>78</sup> In 1800, when the Particular Synods of the Church were organized; the Classis of New York was grouped with four classes into the Particular Synod of New York.<sup>79</sup> Thus by 1800, the independent government of the Reformed Dutch Church in the United States was formed.<sup>80</sup> The official correspondence between the Classis of Amsterdam and the American Church had come to an end.<sup>81</sup>

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69. Ibid., pp. 75-76.

70. Ecclesiastical Records, VI, 4367; Rev. Alexander Gunn, Memoirs of the Rev. John Henry Livingston, D.D., New York, 1867, pp. 194-200.

71. See The Constitution of the Reformed Dutch Church in the United States, New York, 1793, pp. 1-298.

72. Ibid.

73. Corwin, Manual, p. 77. The Particular Synod retained this right until the revision of the constitution in 1932.

74. William H.S. Demarest, Notes on the Constitution of the Reformed Church in America, Princeton, New Jersey, 1929, pp. 123-25.

75. Ibid., pp. 135-36. The General Synod was incorporated under Laws, 1819, ch. 110.

76. Ibid.

77. Ibid.

78. Ecclesiastical Records, VI, 4321.

79. Ibid., p. 4385.

80. The name "Reformed Dutch Church in the United States" was used in the Constitution of 1792.

81. Ecclesiastical Records, VI, 4366-70.





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The period of reorganization over, the Reformed Dutch Church in New York now settled down to an era of continued growth. New congregations were organized, and new church edifices built, the Reformed Dutch Seminary in New Brunswick supplying the ministers. As the city spread out, other Reformed Dutch Churches, independent of the Collegiate Churches were organized. The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church at Greenwich was organized in 1803, and in 1803, the Bloomingdale Reformed Dutch Church received a charter.<sup>82</sup> In 1808, the North West Reformed Dutch Church received a charter, and in 1810, the Reformed Church in Harlem also received one. In 1812, the Old Garden Street Church withdrew from the Collegiate Church, and obtained a charter as an independent church.<sup>83</sup> This growth was evidenced in other parts of what is now Greater New York, particularly in Brooklyn. In 1824, Brooklyn abandoned the Collegiate system, and by 1836, it had two Church organizations of the Dutch Reformed faith.<sup>84</sup> By 1813, the churches of Long Island were important enough to warrant the formation of a Classis of Long Island.<sup>85</sup> In New York City, a movement further to divide the Classis of New York was successful and, in 1828, the Classis of South New York was organized.<sup>86</sup>

Throughout the early part of the nineteenth century, the Classis of Long Island and New York continued to report favorably about their churches and the work they were doing.<sup>87</sup> In 1822, the "Missionary Society of the Reformed Dutch Church was organized, with offices in New York City. In the course of its existence, it conducted active missionary activity in the newly settled regions. In 1831, this society was absorbed by the Board of Missions, which also had its offices in New York City. It was this Board which aided in the establishment of Reformed Dutch Churches in Michigan, Iowa, Wisconsin and Illinois. The name of this organization subsequently was changed to the "Board of Domestic Missions of the General Synod."<sup>88</sup>

The steady progress of the Reformed Church in New York continued until after the Civil War. Sunday schools for children were opened. The inauguration of the Fulton Street Prayer meeting aided in bringing the Church to the attention of the people of lower New York.<sup>89</sup> The increase in the number of churches on Long Island was large enough to warrant their being divided into two classes: North and South Long Island. An era of prosperity seemed in store for the Reformed Church in New York.<sup>90</sup>

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82. New York County Register, "Religious Incorporation," I, p. 40, MS.

83. New York County Register, "Religious Incorporation," I, p. 40, MS.

84. Henry R. Stiles, The History of the City of Brooklyn, New York, 1869, III, 639-62.

85. Particular Synod of New York Minutes, (1813), pp. 5-6. Brooklyn remained in the Classis of New York until it was incorporated into the Classis of Long Island in 1826. See Ibid., (1826), p. 12.

86. Ibid., (1828), pp. 6-7. The total membership of the Long Island and New York Classes at this time was approximately 9,977, of which 2,947 were in the New York Classis and 2,030 in Long Island. Ibid., pp. 9, 11.

87. For evidence of this development see The Minutes Acts of the Particular Synod of New York, for the period 1813-50.

88. Corwin, Manual, pp. 219-29.

89. Brewer and Miller, pp. 75-76.

90. Particular Synod of New York, Minutes, (1843), pp. 21-22. In 1844, the total membership of the Classes of New York, South New York, North and South Long Island was 15,635 members. Ibid., (1844), pp. 20-21, 26-27.



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However, after the close of the Civil War, the Reformed Dutch Churches in Manhattan experienced a slow decrease in membership. The basic reason for this condition was the location of the churches on lower Manhattan Island. As the immigrants poured into New York City, the old members of the Reformed Dutch Church moved to Long Island, Staten Island, and upper Manhattan. By 1875, various churches began to refer to this downtown location as the cause for the decrease in their membership.<sup>91</sup> In 1887, the Classis of New York, in its report to the Particular Synod, devoted a good deal of attention to this condition.<sup>92</sup>

The decline in Church membership in Manhattan was partly counterbalanced by an increase in the membership of the Reformed Dutch churches in the North and South Classes of Long Island.<sup>93</sup> To meet the problem in Manhattan, in 1892 the Collegiate Church opened two new churches: the Middle Church, and the West End Church, the latter in the ultra fashionable area of seventy-seventh street.<sup>94</sup> By the turn of the century most of the Reformed Dutch Churches of Manhattan Island had moved uptown.

The Reformed Dutch Church in Greater New York is strongest in the two Classes of Long Island. The church on Long Island has surpassed the church in New York in membership, as well as in the number of churches built. Thus, in 1935, Long Island had 52 Reformed Dutch Churches and a combined membership of 13,552, while there were only 28 churches with a membership of 8,838 in the New York Churches within the Classes of New York.<sup>95</sup> Today, the Church which Domine Michaelius founded in 1628 with the "fully fifty communicants", has spread its influence not only to the territory surrounding Manhattan, but also to such remote areas of the world as Amoy, China, and Arcot, India.<sup>96</sup>

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91. Ibid., (1875), pp. 23-25, 29.

92. Ibid., (1887), pp. 23-24.

93. Ibid., (1891), pp. 50-51.

94. Ibid., (1892), p. 26.

95. General Synod of The Reformed Church in America, Acts and Proceedings, (1935), pp. 152-33, 159-160.

96. For the latest information on the work of the Reformed Church in America, see Ibid., (1938).





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A. GENERAL SYNOD (General Synod of the Reformed Church in America),  
1794--. 156 5th Ave., Manhattan.

The General Synod was organized on June 3, 1794, although the Dutch Reformed Church of America had really been an independent ecclesiastical body since 1772. While known as the General Body, it held five meetings prior to the Revolutionary War, which were chiefly concerned with the congregations' efforts to arrange a Widows' Fund, and to establish a theological professorship. In October 1775, consideration of the professorate was deferred by the General Body, and correspondence with the Classis of Amsterdam was ended because of the political condition existing at that time. Meetings of the General Body were held in New York City in 1775 and 1778; New Paltz, New York, in 1780; Millstone, New York, in 1782.

In 1788 a committee was appointed to translate and publish the doctrinal symbols of the Church and Articles of Church Government added to the Articles of Dort on Church Order, 73 Explanatory Articles of 1792, showing how the Articles of Dort were to be applied to the Reformed Church in America. (Articles of Dort, Explanatory Article of 1892, and the Constitutional revision of 1833 and 1874 are printed in parallel columns in Corwin's Synodical Digest pp. VIII - LXXXVII).

The General Synod which was organized as a result of the convention called by the General Body in 1792, was completely independent under its American Constitution, and entered upon its various activities. One of its first actions was to appoint a committee to seek a union with the German branch of the Reformed Church. Church extension work was inaugurated. At first ministers were sent out on preaching tours through New York and Canada, and as a result of these efforts, the first church was organized at Tioga, Chenango Valley, New York, in 1794.

The Synod was incorporated April 7, 1819 (Laws, 1819, ch. 60), as The General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church. The name was changed to General Synod of the Reformed Church in America April 15, 1869 (Laws, 1869, ch. 197). Until 1812 the Synod met triennially and since then it has met annually. The place of meeting is determined by a vote taken at the preceding Synod.

Originally the Synod was made up of eight ministers and eight elders from each of the particular synods, but not more than two ministers and two elders from any one classis. In 1809 under a new plan, the Synod was composed of three ministers and three elders who were selected from each classis subject to approval by the particular synods. When the constitution was revised in 1874, all classes having more than fifteen churches were allowed one additional minister and elder for each additional five churches. As a result of the constitutional revision of 1916 each classis with three thousand or less communicants was permitted a delegation of two ministers and two elders to the Synod. Also, one extra minister and one elder were allotted for each additional three thousand communicants or fraction thereof.

Officers for 1939-40; Rev. John A. Lykstra, President; Irwin J. Lubbers, Vice-President; Rev. John A. Ingham, stated Clerk and Treasurer; Rev. James M. Martin, Permanent Clerk.

The first of these is the fact that the United States is a young nation, and its history is therefore a history of growth and development. The second is the fact that the United States is a nation of immigrants, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for assimilation and the creation of a new American identity. The third is the fact that the United States is a nation of diverse peoples, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for equality and the recognition of the rights of all citizens. The fourth is the fact that the United States is a nation of free people, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for liberty and the protection of the rights of all citizens. The fifth is the fact that the United States is a nation of people who are proud of their country and its achievements, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for the preservation of the United States and the promotion of its interests. The sixth is the fact that the United States is a nation of people who are proud of their country and its achievements, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for the preservation of the United States and the promotion of its interests. The seventh is the fact that the United States is a nation of people who are proud of their country and its achievements, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for the preservation of the United States and the promotion of its interests. The eighth is the fact that the United States is a nation of people who are proud of their country and its achievements, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for the preservation of the United States and the promotion of its interests. The ninth is the fact that the United States is a nation of people who are proud of their country and its achievements, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for the preservation of the United States and the promotion of its interests. The tenth is the fact that the United States is a nation of people who are proud of their country and its achievements, and its history is therefore a history of the struggle for the preservation of the United States and the promotion of its interests.



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The first part of the reign of King George the Third, from his accession to the throne in 1760, to the year 1769, is distinguished by a series of events which have been the subject of much controversy. The most important of these events are the Seven Years' War, the American Revolution, and the French Revolution. The Seven Years' War, which lasted from 1756 to 1763, was a global conflict that involved most of the great powers of the time. It resulted in the British gaining control of Canada and the eastern half of North America. The American Revolution, which began in 1775, was a struggle for independence from British rule. It resulted in the United States becoming a sovereign nation. The French Revolution, which began in 1789, was a period of radical social and political change in France. It resulted in the overthrow of the monarchy and the establishment of a republic.

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The third part of the reign of King George the Third, from 1780 to 1789, is also distinguished by a series of events. The most important of these events are the American Revolution, the French Revolution, and the Battle of the Clouds. The American Revolution, which continued from 1780 to 1789, was a struggle for independence from British rule. It resulted in the United States becoming a sovereign nation. The French Revolution, which continued from 1780 to 1789, was a period of radical social and political change in France. It resulted in the overthrow of the monarchy and the establishment of a republic. The Battle of the Clouds, which took place in 1789, was a battle between the British and the French. It resulted in a British victory.

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A-1. WIDOW'S FUND (The Widow's Fund Society of the Reformed Church in America), 1814-1923. 25 East 22nd St., Manhattan.

Organized 1814 by Rev. John H. Livingston, pastor of the Collegiate Church (entry 1), as a pensive fund into which the Reformed ministers paid annual subscriptions for which they or their families received annuities. Incorporated March 10, 1815 (Laws, 1812-15, ch. 63). "But after this foundation was laid, a long Sabbath ensued." In 1837, after much agitation for better support of the plan among the ministers it was resolved that the fund would not become available until the sum of \$10,000 had been raised. This sum was obtained in June 1845. The plan was amended in 1864, and again in 1890, to permit increases to the annuitants, and further protect their rights. The Widow's Fund consolidated with the Disabled Ministers' Fund (entry A-7), to become The Minister's Fund (entry A-10), in 1923.

\*Edward Tanjore Corwin, D.D., A Digest of Constitutional And Synodical Legislation of the Reformed Church in America, N.Y., Bd. of Publication R.C.A., 1906, pp. 799-829. Loc. NN.

A-2. BOARD OF EDUCATION (The Board of Education of the Reformed Church in America), 1831--. 156 5th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1831 by the General Synod (entry A), from the Educational Society, founded in 1821 by individual, not ecclesiastical, action. Incorporated October 13, 1869 (County Clerk, Inc. vol. 5, #564). The functions of this Board are to aid students preparing for the ministry; to aid medical students in preparation; to recruit candidates for the ministry; to assist Theological and Collegiate Institutions and Religious Schools under the care of and founded by the Reformed Church in America. The work of the Board of Publication and Bible School Work (entry A-6), was transferred to this Board in 1935. The Board meets in regular annual meeting for the election of officers and other business on the first Wednesday in November, the first Tuesday in February, and to hear the annual report on the Tuesday following the second Wednesday in May. Officers for 1938-39: Mr. Francis B. Sanford, L.L.D., President. Judge F. Walter Eliss, Vice-President. Rev. John S. Moore, Recording Secretary. Rev. Willard Dayton Brown, D.D., General Secretary. Mr. John C. Osborn, Treasurer.

Charles E. Corwin, Manual of the Reformed Church in America, "Board Education", (revised by) Rev. John G. Gebhard, D.D., N.Y., Bd. of Publication R.C.A., 5th Ed., 1922, pp. 171-74. Board of Education, R.C.A., Manual of the Board of Education, N.Y., The Board, 1937, 31 pp. Loc. NN.

MINUTES: Executive Committee, vol. 10, 1915-26; vol. 11, 1927-36 (bound); vol. 12, 1937-- (loose-leaf), (minutes prior to 1915, 10 vols., complete, loc. NjNbs). Board of Directors, vol. 7, 1922-30; vol. 8, 1931-36 (bound); vol. 9, 1937-- (loose-leaf), (Minutes prior to 1922, 6 vols., complete, loc. NjNbs). FINANCIAL: Cash books, 5 vols., 1828-45, 1846-68, 1869-73, 1878-87, 1887-97 (bound); combined cash books and ledgers, 4 vols., 1898-1900, 1900-11, 1911-20, 1920-22 (bound); combined cash book, ledger and journal, 5 vols., 1898, 1911-20, 1920-28, 1928-35, 1935-- (loose-leaf); Classical Ledgers, 3 vols., 1911-21, 1924-27, 1933-35. Students Records: 3 vols., 1837-51, 1852-1904, 1904--; Ledgers, 3 vols., 1840-57, 1857-91, 1892--; Students Special Fund, 1 vol., 1890-96; Student Bond Books, 2 vols., 1910-31, 1931--.





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ANNUAL REPORTS: 8 vols., 1823-30, 1831-43, 1849-56, 1857-79, 1880-1900, 1901-12, 1913-20, 1921-28, 11 booklets (yearly), 1929--; 1 vol., 1861 (labeled: Board of Education), contains Order of Business, Order of Examinations, Quiz to applicants for aid.

A-3. BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS (Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Church in America), 1832--. 156 5th Avenue, Manhattan.

The General Synod (entry A), took its first action on the subject of missions in 1786 by appointing a committee to devise a plan for sending the Gospel to destitute localities. By 1790 each classis was directed to care for the areas within its own boundary. In 1806, the General Synod (entry A), resumed the management of missionary operations which had been carried on by the Classis of Albany.

The Synod appointed a committee of four ministers and four elders, known as the Standing Committee of the Reformed Church in America. They were located in Albany until 1819, when they moved to New York City. A society known as the Missionary Society of the Reformed Dutch Church was organized in 1822. Its board of managers was composed of the Synod's Standing Committee on Missions. The Society started the Magazine of the Reformed Dutch Church in 1826, which was renamed the Christian Intelligencer in 1830.

In 1831 the Synod organized the Board of Missions, and all mission operations were committed to it. The first Reformed Church was organized in the west at Fairview, Ill., in 1837. The name of the Board was changed from the Board of Missions to the Board of Domestic Missions of General Synod in 1844, and incorporated December 28, 1866. (County Clerk, Inc., vol. 3, 112).

The Women's Executive Committee (entry A-9) was organized in 1882. The policy of appointing Classical Missionaries, previously confined to Dakota, was extended to include other sections of the Church in 1889. Formerly, the work of the Board was restricted by its charter "to aiding weak and founding new churches of the denomination". But in 1900, the charter was amended to "allow its missionaries to engage in evangelistic work which may not immediately eventuate in the founding of new churches". The development of the western section of the Church fostered by the Board, led to the organization of the Particular Synod of Iowa in 1919. The Reformed Church of St. Thomas (Virgin Islands), was organized in 1917, and was assisted by the Board for a number of years. The Church is now included in the South Classis of Long Island (entry ).

Officers for 1939-40: Rev. Frank B. Seely, President and Treasurer; Rev. T. Raymond Clee, Vice-president; Rev. Fred Zimmerman, Secretary; Rev. A. L. Mann, Recording Secretary; Mr. Herbert S. Long, Assistant Treasurer.

Edward Tanjore Corwin, D.D., A Digest of Constitutional and Synedical Legislation of the Reformed Church in America, New York, Board of Publication, 1906, pp 219-32. Charles E. Corwin, Manual of the Reformed Church in America, New York, Board of Publications, 5th ed., 1922, pp. 219-30. Loc. NN.

MINUTES: Board, 4 vols., 1889-1904, 1904-11 (bound), 1911-22, 1922-- (loose leaf, typed). ANNUAL REPORTS, 8 vols., 1823-30, 1831-48, 1849-56, 1857-79, 1880-1900, 1901-12, 1913-20, 1921-28; 11 yearly booklets, 1929--.





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A-4. BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS (The Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America), 1832--. 156 5th Avenue, Manhattan.

Organized 1832, although the foreign missionary activities of the Reformed Church began in 1796 by the founding of the New York Missionary Society, together with the Presbyterian and Baptist Churches. Work was done chiefly among the American Indians, while some financial aid was given to the English Foreign Mission Society. During the next ten years, 1816-26, the Reformed and Presbyterian Churches formed the United Missionary Society, which merged in 1826 with the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions. In 1832 however, the Reformed Church, while maintaining its connection with the American Board began to manage its own missions according to its ecclesiastical polity. The General Synod (entry A) proposed that the Board become entirely independent in 1856, and the Constitution of the Board was approved in October, 1857. At that time the Board had two missionaries, one in China and the other in India. Incorporated April 7, 1860 (Laws, 1860, ch. 207). The Mission in Japan was started in 1859. The Arabian Mission was organized in 1889 by private enterprise, and was transferred to the care of the Board in 1894. The work of the Board is conducted through mission churches, Sunday schools, stations, outstations, hospitals, boarding and day schools, and a Theological Seminary (Arcot, India). The annual election of officers takes place on the third Thursday in June. Officers for 1939-40: Rev. Edward Dawson, D.D., President. Rev. J.W. Beardslee, Ph.D., Vice-President. Mr. F.M. Potter, L.H.D., Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, Rev. L.J. Shafer, Litt. D., Corresponding Secretary.

Edward Tanjere Corwin, D.D., A Digest of Constitutional and Synodical Legislation of the Reformed Church in America, N.Y., Ed. of Publication R.C.A., 1906, pp 287-301. Charles E. Corwin, Manual of the Reformed Church in America, "History of Foreign Missions," (revised by) Rev. William I. Chamberlain, Ph.D., D.D., Corr. Secy., Bd. Foreign Missions, N.Y., Ed. of Publication R.C.A., 5th Ed., 1922, pp. 178-218. Loc. NN.

MINUTES: Quarterly Board Meetings, 1901-36 (loose leaf - handwritten to 1909, balance typed); Executive Committee Meetings, 1911-17, 1918-25, 1926-35 (loose leaf - typed); Quarterly Board and Executive Committee (combined), 1936-- (loose leaf - typed). FINANCIAL: Ledgers, vol. 5, 1919-23; vol. 6, 1923-30; vol. 7 (loose leaf), 1930--; Cash Books, 1937-38, 1938--; Journals, 1936-38, 1938--; Personal Missionary Accounts, 1917-31, 1931--; Amoy Mission Record (clothes and supplies), 1905-17. ANNUAL REPORTS: (yearly booklets, bound in 10 vols.) 1857-74, 1875-84, 1885-92, 1893-1900, 1901-07, 1908-12, 1913-17, 1918-21, 1925-32, 1933--.

A-5. SABBATH SCHOOL UNION (The General Synod's Board of the Sabbath School Union of the Reformed Dutch Church), 1839-63. Corner Nassau and Ann Sts., Manhattan.

Organized 1839 under the jurisdiction of the General Synod (entry A). But as early as 1826 the churches began to cooperate with The American Sunday School Union (founded in 1824), in the matter of organizing Sunday Schools. In 1828 the Sunday School Union of the Reformed Dutch Church was started, independent of the General Synod, by the ministers and consistories of the several churches, which was adopted by the Synod under a Constitution approved in 1839. The Board held four meetings annually in the Consistory



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room of Middle Church (entry 1-C). The Synod abolished the Board in 1863, and later (1883) appointed the Committee on Sunday Schools and Catechetical Instruction. The Young People's Societies were placed under this Committee in 1892. The work was placed under the Board of Publication (entry A-6), in 1914.

Edward Tanjore Corwin, D.D., A Digest of Constitutional And Synodical Legislation of the Reformed Church In America, N.Y., Bd. of Publication R.C.A., 1906, pp. 714-23. Loc. NN.

A-6. BOARD OF PUBLICATION AND BIBLE SCHOOL WORK (The Board of Publication and Bible School Work of the Reformed Church in America), 1854-1935. 25 East 22nd., St., Manhattan.

Organized 1854 as The Board of Publication by the General Synod (entry A), as a benevolent agency for the distribution of religious literature pertaining to the history, government and doctrines of the Reformed Church, and also as a business corporation for the publication and sale of books and supplies for every branch of the Church and Sunday School work. The constitution of the Board was adopted in 1854; amended in 1883. The work of this Board was enlarged to include besides its former duties, the activities of the Sunday Schools and Young People's Societies (entry A-5) in 1914, at which time the last name was adopted. The rooms of this Board were at first at 337 Broadway, 1854-58; at 61 Franklin Street, 1858-62; at 103 Fulton Street, 1862-70; at 34 Vesey Street, 1870-87; at 25 East 22nd Street until the Board was consolidated with the Board of Education (entry A-2) in 1935.

Edward Tanjore Corwin, D.D., A Digest of Constitutional And Synodical Legislation of the Reformed Church in America, N.Y., Bd. of Publication R.C.A., 1906, pp. 562-74. Loc. NN.

MINUTES: Executive Committee, vol. 1, 1854-65; vol. 2, 1866-1903; vol. 3, 1903-15 (bound); vol. 4, 1915-19, (includes Committee on Evangelism, 1914-34; Committee on Religious Education, 1915-34; Committee on Business and Finance, 1935; Committee on Publications, 1917-27); vol. 5, 1919-- (loose leaf, typed). Board of Managers, 1842-45, 1846-77 (missing), 1878-1915 (bound), 1915-- (loose leaf, typed). FINANCIAL: Ledger, 1919-30, 1931-- (loose leaf). Annual Reports: 16 booklets (yearly), 1919-34.

A-7. DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND (The Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Reformed Church in America), 1854-1923. 25 East 22nd St., Manhattan.

Organized 1854 as The Sustentation Fund under the control of the Board of Directors of the General Synod (entry A). Last name adopted in 1863. The Fund aided in the support of disabled ministers, the families of deceased ministers, and ministers whose congregations could not give them proper support, or who may have been without a charge. Applications for aid had to be accompanied by a satisfactory recommendation from the classis to which the applicant belonged. The churches were requested to take up a yearly collection for the Fund. And in 1902, the second Sunday in December was created as the Disabled Ministers' Fund consolidated with The Widows' Fund (entry A-1), to become The Minister's Fund (entry A-10), in 1923.





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Edward Tanjore Corwin, D.D., A Digest of Constitutional And Synodical Legislation of the Reformed Church In America, N.Y., Bd. of Publication, R.C.A., 1906, pp. 209-12. Loc. NN.

A-8. WOMAN'S BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS (The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America), 1875--. 156 5th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1875. Prior to that the Reformed Church in America had participated in foreign missionary work with five other denominations through The Woman's Union Missionary Society, founded in 1861, by Mrs. Thomas C. Doremus, a member of South Church (entry 28), who became its first President. The object of the Board is to promote educational, medical, and evangelistic work among the women and children of China, India, Japan, and Arabia. To this end the Board erects and maintains schools, hospitals, and mission churches. The annual Missionary Conference for the election of officers and other business is held on the second Tuesday in May. Officers for 1939-40: Mrs. Edgar E. Romig, President. Mrs. J.J. Van Strien, Vice-President. Mrs. Theodore Brinckerhoff, Recording Secretary. Miss Sue Weddell, General Secretary. Miss Helen Card, Treasurer.

Margaret E. Sangster, Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, A Manual of the Missions of the Reformed (Dutch) Church in America, N.Y., Board of Publication, R.C.A., 1877, 326 pp. Jared Waterbury Scudder, Historical Sketch of the Arcot Mission of the Reformed Church in America, Madras, Scottish Press, Graves, Cookson & Co., 1879, 39 pp. Edward Tanjore Corwin, D.D., A Digest of Constitutional And Synodical Legislation of the Reformed Church in America, N.Y., Board of Publication R.C.A., 1906, pp. 330-31. Loc. NN.

MINUTES: Directors, 9 vols., 1875-79, 1879-88, 1888-94, 1894-1900, 1900-06, 1906-12 (bound), 1912-22, 1922-33, 1933-- (loose leaf, typed). FINANCIAL: Ledgers, 2 vols., 1919-23, 1923-37 (loose leaf); Journals, 2 vols., 1919-28, 1929-34; Cash Books, 13 vols., 1893-96, 1896-98, 1899-1904, 1904-07, 1907-10, 1910-15, 1915-21, 1921-25, 1925-28, 1928-31, 1931-34, 1934-37, 1937--. ANNUAL REPORTS: (printed), 1875-84, 1885-90, 1891-94, 1895-1900, 1901-10, 1911-15, 1916-20, 1921-25, 1926-30, 1931-35, 1936, 1937, 1938, 1939.

A-9. WOMAN'S BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS (Women's Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Church in America), 1882--. 156 5th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized in 1882 as The Woman's Executive Committee of the Board of Domestic Missions (entry A-3). Work was undertaken among the American Indians in 1894 with funds contributed specifically for this purpose. Under a similar agreement they began work among the mountaineers in Jackson County, Kentucky in 1899, and work among the Japanese in New York and vicinity in 1907. Officers for 1939-40: Mrs. Norman Vincent Peale, President; Mrs. C. Palmer Bateman, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Thomas Lyon Sturges, Treasurer.

MINUTES: Executive Committee and Board, 17 vols., 1883-87, 1887-89, 1889-90, 1891-93, 1893-95, 1895-97, 1897-98, 1898-1900, 1901-02, 1902-03, 1903-05, 1905-06, 1906-07, 1907-08 (bound); Executive Committee, 1 vol., 1908-- (loose leaf, typed); Board, 2 vols., 1908-26, 1926-- (loose leaf, typed); Associate





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Members of Women's Executive Committee, 3 vols., 1903-10, 1911-14, 1914-22 (bound); Corresponding Secretary's Report to Executive Committee, 3 vols., 1896-98, 1898-99, 1905-06 (bound). FINANCIAL: Combined Ledgers and Cash Books, 4 vols., 1910-13, 1913-17, 1917-18, 1918-29; Ledger, 1 vol., 1930-- (loose leaf); Cash Books, 2 vols., (disbursements), 1934--; (receipts), 1937--; Transfer Sheets of Cash Books, 13 vols., 1917-37. List of Student Missionaries and their assignments, also letters, 1 vol., 1904-08 (bound). Visitors Register, 1 vol., 1893-1901 (bound). ANNUAL REPORTS: Women's Executive Committee (printed, yearly booklets, bound in 3 vols.), 1884-93, 1894-1903, 1904-09; Woman's Board, (printed, yearly booklets, bound in 5 vols.), 1910-15, 1916-20, 1921-26, 1927-32, 1932-37; separate booklets, 1938, 1939.

A-10. MINISTER'S FUND (The Minister's Fund of the Reformed Church in America, Inc.), 1923--. 156 5th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1923 through the merger of The Widows' Fund Society and The Disabled Ministers' Fund (entries A-1, A-7), for the purpose of administering a pension fund and charity benefits for aged or disabled ministers and their families. In 1917, the General Synod (entry A), appointed a committee to carry out this plan. They held their first meeting on April 23, 1919. After an endowment had been raised four years later (1923), the organization was perfected. The Fund had offices at 25 East 22nd Street until the Reformed Church House moved to the above address in 1939. The annual election of officers takes place at the June meeting of the General Synod (entry A). Officers for 1939-40: Rev. George D. Hulst, President. Rev. Deane Edwards, Vice-President. Mr. Gates W. McGanah, Treasurer. Dr. George C. Lenington, Secretary. Mr. George Huggins, Actuary. Mr. Charles F. McWhorter, Auditor.

MINISTER'S FUND, Rules For the Ministerial Pension Fund, N.Y., The Fund, 1928 ..... Rules For the Disabled Ministers Fund, N.Y., The Fund, 1929 ..... Rules For the Widows Department of The Ministerial Pension Fund, N.Y., The Fund, 1932. Loc. NN.

MINUTES: Board of Directors, 3 vols., 1917-28, 1928-34, 1934--.  
FINANCIAL: Ledgers, 2 vols., 1923-36; Cash Books, 3 vols., 1923-36, 1936-38, 1938--; Annual reports of the Minister's Fund, 7 published booklets, 1922--.



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1. NEW YORK COLLEGIATE (The Minister, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of New York), 1626--. Church comprising: Marble, St. Nicholas, Middle, West End, and Fort Washington Churches, North Church Chapel (Fulton Street Noon Prayer Meeting), and Knox Memorial Chapel. Church office, 69 John Street, Manhattan.

Organized 1623 as the New Amsterdam Church. It is the oldest Protestant Church in America with a continuous organization. Services were conducted by two Krankbezoekers (comforters-of-the-sick), Sebastian Krol and Jan Huyck, from 1626. Domine Jonas Michaelius, the first minister, in a letter dated August 11, 1628 (Ecc. Records N.Y. p 48), to Rev. Adrian Smoutius, a minister of the Collegiate Churches of Amsterdam, established his arrival, as April 7, 1628. Shortly after, the Domine organized a Consistory with two elders, Peter Minuit, Director General of New Amsterdam, his brother-in-law, Jan Huyghens, and a deacon, Sebastian Krol. Elder Minuit had been a ruling elder of the French Reformed Church of Wesel (Prussia), and elder Huyghens, a deacon of the Dutch Reformed Church of Wesel. Deacon Krol was also Director of the Fort Orange settlement in New Netherland.

After his arrival in 1652, Rev. Samuel Drisius became Domine Michaelius' "colleague". From this circumstance is derived the name by which the Church is generally known. Incorporated 1696 under the first civil charter granted to a church in New York, by William III, King of England (reprinted: Ecc. Records N.Y. pp 1136-65). During the Revolutionary War, the British seized the Dutch Churches in retaliation for their loyalty to the Continental cause, turning them into hospitals, riding schools and prisons. After the evacuation the buildings were restored and services resumed.

The Collegiate School, 241 West 77th Street, organized 1638, is one of the oldest educational institutions with a continuous history in America. Adam Roelantsen, licensed by the Classis of Amsterdam in 1637, became the colony's first licensed teacher and headmaster of the school in 1638. Classes were held within the "Fort" but no records exist which can fix an exact location until 1748, when it was located on Gordon Street (now Exchange Place). Daniel Brett was appointed schoolmaster and the minutes of August 6, 1748 read " \* \* \* \* \* will officiate as schoolmaster for which he shall be provided with a dwelling house and schoolroom by the Old Church \* \* \* \* ". Classes lapsed during the Revolutionary War, reopened on same site to 1824; in Harmony Hall, 9 Duane Street to 1835, one year at 106 Elm (now Lafayette) Street, then at Broome and Greene Streets to 1841, and one year at Greene and Houston Streets. At 91 Mercer Street to 1847; a short period in the Ninth Street Church. A three story brick building was built October 1847, at 183 West 4th Street, and occupied to 1861; large building erected at 160 West 29th Street, and occupied to about 1884; when temporary quarters were rented at 348 West 74th Street and 242 West 74th Street, to 1892. The present church adjoining the West End Church (entry 1-N) was erected 1892, a five story building, of late 16th century German Renaissance design, of brown brick and tan ashlar. Present headmaster, Wilson Parkhill (See: Henry Webb Dunshoe School of the Collegiate Dutch Church).

The church library is kept in a room set apart for it in the Church of St. Nicholas, at 5th Avenue and 48th Street. At present it consists of upward of 1350 volumes and about 500 pamphlets. It is designed as a reference library for the use of the ministers, and as a place for the deposit and safe-





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keeping of books, pamphlets and manuscripts relating to the early history of the church. The library is catalogued according to the Dewey Decimal Classification System. There are sixteen single book-cases in the room, starting with Case 1, next to the door. The books selected to be shown at the time of the Hudson-Fulton Exhibit (1907) are collected together, and include the most valuable book in the library, the Old Testament, written in Dutch, of 1477. In Cases 15 and 16, is a special collection of books relating to the Collegiate Church. Present curator, Miss Margaret Elmer Coe, 1 West 64th Street.

The succession of ministers, elders and deacons has been unbroken since 1628. The system of rotating ministers begun 1729, continued until 1871. English services were substituted for Dutch about 1805. First clergyman, Domine Jonas Michaelius, 1628-31; ed. Univ. of Leyden, 1593. Present clergymen, Rev. Henry Everston Cobb, 1903-- (Senior Minister); ed. Rutgers Col. 1884, Princeton Sem. 1888. Rev. Malcomb J. McLeod, (without specific charge) 1910--, ed. Dalhousie (Halifax, N.S.) Univ. 1887, Princeton Theological Sem., 1890. Rev. Edgar Franklin Romig, 1922--, (West End Church); ed. Franklin and Marshall Col. 1911, Union Theological Sem. 1918. Rev. Ernest Raymond Palen, 1932--, (Middle Church); ed. Rutgers Univ. 1922, 29, Middleburgh Col. (Vt) 1926, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1929. Rev. Norman Vincent Peale, 1932--, (Marble Church); ed. Ohio Wesleyan Univ. 1920, Boston Univ. 1924, Syracuse Univ. 1931. Rev. Joseph Richard Sizoo, 1936--, (Church of St. Nicholas); ed. Hope Col. 1901, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1910, Rutgers Univ. 1930, Hastings Col. Neb. 1932. Rev. Henry Andrew Vruwink, 1938--, (Fort Washington Church); ed. Hope Col. 1910, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1913.

(A) MILL LOFT, 1626-33. About 20 William St. between Stone and Beaver Sts. The Dutch and Walloon immigrants who formed the first agricultural settlement in New Netherland held their religious meetings in this room above the first horse mill erected on the island. Services by comforters of the sick to 1628. See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1895, pp 135-39, 1896 pp 298-308.

(B) PEARL STREET, 1633-42. About 35 Pearl St. Simple frame Colonial building. See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1895, pp 138-9. Ecc. Records N.Y. pp 85, 119, 216, 355, 347.

(C) ST. NICHOLAS (Church in the Fort), 1642-93. In Fort Amsterdam at lower end of Broadway. Stone structure with peaked roof and tower. See: Ecc. Records N.Y. pp 163, 216, 254, 266, 623, 629, 649.

(D) STUYVESANT'S CHAPEL, 1660-87. Bouwerie, about what is now Stuyvesant Square. Governor Peter Stuyvesant built a chapel to accommodate his family and about forty negro slaves. Domine Selyns, minister at Brooklyn, officiated on Sunday evenings. Stuyvesant died in 1672, and was buried in the vault under the chapel. His widow died in 1687, and by will left the chapel to the Collegiate Church, to dispose of as they saw proper, provided the vault be preserved. No further services were held at this place, until St. Mark's in-the-Bouwerie Protestant Episcopal Church was established in 1795. where the Stuyvesant vault is still preserved. See: Ecc. Records N.Y. pp 488-92. Memorial of St. Mark's in-the-Bouwerie, N.Y., 1899, pp 109-10.

(E) GARDEN STREET, 1693-1812. About 41 Exchange Place. Erected to replace Church in the Fort (entry 1-C). Name changed to South Church after 1729. Church, stone with brick trim and massive tower; rebuilt 1807. Separated from collegiate group 1812, becoming independent as South Church (entry 28). See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1880 p 52, 1897, p 140; Ecc. Records N.Y. pp 743, 828, 880, 929, 950-1, 952-54, 1030, 1032, 1037, 1123, 2563, 3025.

(F) FORDHAM MANOR, 1696-1776. North side Fordham Road in Devoe Park. Frame church erected 1706; converted into stable by Emmerick's Chasseurs 1776,





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of Fordham Reformed Church 1887/8 N.Y. Church 1889. Robert G. Ritchie, 240th Anniversary, N.Y., Church, 1936 8 pp. Loc. NN.

(G) MIDDLE, 1729-1844. Nassau St. between Liberty and Cedar Sts. known as Cedar Street or New Church to 1769, when last name adopted. English preaching in Collegiate Church introduced here with coming of Rev. Archibald Laidlie, 1764. Brick church with spired tower and bell, which later was called New York Liberty Bell. Bronze tablet marking site reads: "Here stood the Middle Dutch Church erected 1729 - made a British military Prison 1776 - restored 1790 - occupied by U.S. Post Office 1845-75 taken down 1882". See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1883, pp 70-86, 1886 p 62; Ecc. Records N.Y. pp 1219, 2343-44, 2358-59, 2375-81, 2449-54, 2456-57, 2476-77, 2488-90, 2516-19, 2458, 2537.

(H) NORTH, 1769-1875. Fulton St. corner William St. Started especially for English language services. Large Romanesque church occupied by British during Revolution, refitted after evacuation. Fulton Street Prayer Meeting started 1857, in consistory room in rear of church. See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1881, p 72; Ecc. Records N.Y., pp 4146-48, 4151-52, 4159, 4163.

(I) NINTH STREET, 1836-55. 9th St. Started 1831 as independent Ninth Street Church (entry 42). Became unit of Collegiate Church in 1836; in 1855, again became independent as the Central Church (entry 87).

(J) MIDDLE, 1839-87. Lafayette Place corner 4th St. Known as Lafayette Place Church to 1854, when above name adopted. Granite church, modelled after Temple of Erechtheum in Athens, having twelve exterior monolithic columns. See: Collegiate Church Year Book, 1887, p 71. Ecc. Records, N.Y., pp 45, 48, 69, 1219.

(K) MARBLE, 1854--. 5th Ave. and 29th St. Rectangular Romanesque and Gothic marble church and chapel combined; of 12th century English architecture with high bell tower, dedicated 1854. Amsterdam bell from North Church on Fulton Street (1-H) in courtyard. Assumed support of Sunshine Chapel (entry 1-U) 1896.

(L) ST. NICHOLAS, 1872--. 5th Ave. and 48th St. Brownstone church 14th century Gothic architecture with flying buttresses and elaborate carvings, dedicated 1872; altered, and redecorated 1936. Chapel and parish house adjoining, contains Collegiate Church library and oil portraits of ministers in succession from 1699 to date. Historic bell, formerly of Old Middle Church on Nassau Street hangs in tower. Bronze tablet reads: "In Memoriam Theodore Roosevelt, 1858-1919, Who in His Youth Listened Here to the Gospel and Became a Member of This Church-- Erected A.D. 1920". See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1880, p 51.

(M) MIDDLE, 1892--. 2nd Ave. and 7th St. Early 13th century Gothic graystone church, with attached parish house, dedicated 1892. Three mural tablets memorialize: Peter Minuit, Colonial Governor, 1626; Sebastian Krel and Jan Huyck, Kronkbezoekers 1626; Jonas Michaelius, first minister, 1628.

(N) WEST END, 1892--. West End Ave. and 77th St. A late 16th century Renaissance church, dedicated 1892; built of brick and ashlar stone. Cornerstone inscribed, "Organized A.D. 1628 - Erected 1891". See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1892, p 102, 1893 p 127, 1894 p 468.

(O) UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, 1895-1900. Bronx. Services held in chapel of University of New York. See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1895 p 91, 1896 p 238, 1897 p 407.

(P) FORT WASHINGTON, 1909--. Fort Washington Ave. and 181st St. Organized with charter membership of sixty-three, under spiritual guidance of elders of West End Church (entry 1-N). A modern, red brick, meeting house type of church, dedicated 1909. Church house, same style and material, erected 1923, adjoining church, with tablet on exterior inscribed: "In memory of Robert Magaw-Colonel Commandant of Fort Washington, who defended this position in the momen-





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Fort Washington Church, 1938. See: Collegiate Church Year Book 1938 pp 774-98.

(Q) DEWITT CHAPEL, 1861-95. 160 West 29th St. Consolidated with Thirty-fourth Street Church (entry 35), to become Thirty-fourth Street Chapel (entry 1-W) 1895. First clergyman, Rev. William H. Clark, 1865-69; ed. Western Reserve Col. 1859, Union Theological Sem., 1863, Adelbert Col. of Western Reserve Univ. D.D., 1884.

(R) KNOX MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 1866--. 405-9 West 41st St. Began as Knox Memorial Mission Sunday School, 1858. Named in honor of Rev. John Knox, Senior Minister of Collegiate Church, 1833-58. Located on 9th Avenue above 38th Street to 1868; 514 9th Avenue to 1898, when present English Gothic church was occupied and dedicated. Vermilye Chapel (entry 1-V) merged with Knox Memorial Chapel, 1935. First clergyman, Rev. William De Hart, 1871-77; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1865, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1868; Rutgers Col. D.D., 1900.

(S) NORTH CHURCH CHAPEL, 1869--. Fulton Street Prayer Meetings. 1857--. 113 Fulton St. In 1869 the old Consistory building on the west end of the North Church (entry 1-H), was taken down. On its site a large structure was erected, so arranged that while the front and rear were devoted to secular purposes, a chapel was provided on second floor. The Fulton Street Prayer Meeting was started in the Consistory Room of the Fulton Street (North) Church, 1857, with laymen as conductors of the Prayer Meeting and as missionaries in that part of the City. The North Church Chapel and the Fulton Street Prayer Meeting have used the chapel jointly for their particular services, since 1869. Superintendent, Rev. George H. Dowkontt, M.D. See: Talbot W. Chambers, Noon Prayer Meeting.

(T) SEVENTH AVENUE CHAPEL, 1869-84. 7th Ave. and 54th St. Became Grace Reformed Church (entry 116) 1884. First clergyman, Rev. William H. Clark, 1869-72; ed. (see entry 1-Q).

(U) SUNSHINE CHAPEL, 1899-1938. 550 West 40th St. Started 1896 with support of Marble Collegiate Church (entry 1-K). Incorporated 1906. Collegiate consistory exercised only spiritual care of congregation. Located at 11th Avenue and 38th Street to 1906, when last red brick church was occupied. Extinct 1938. First clergyman, Rev. Archibald Harmon Bradshaw, 1899-1903; ed. Franklin Col. Indiana 1892; Princeton Theological Sem. 1895.

(V) VERMILYE CHAPEL, 1890-1935. 416 West 54th St. Named in honor of Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye, Senior Minister of Collegiate Church. Instituted by Society for Christian Work of Collegiate Church of St. Nicholas (entry 1-L); supported jointly for many years by that congregation and West End Church (entry 1-N). Several locations prior to 1895. Merged with Knox Chapel (entry 1-R), 1935. Served by Superintendent until first clergyman, Rev. Winfred R. Ackert 1901-03; ed. Rutgers Col. 1892, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1895.

(W) THIRTY-FOURTH STREET CHAPEL, 1895-1920. 307 W. 34th St. Formed by consolidation of congregation of dissolved Thirty-fourth Street Church (entry 35) with DeWitt Chapel (entry 1-Q). Dissolved 1920. First clergyman, Rev. Kenneth F. Junor, 1895-98; ed. University Col. Toronto 1869; Knox Col. Toronto 1872; Union Theological Sem. 1873.

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2. FLATBUSH (The Trustees of the Reformed Dutch Church of the Town of Flatbush in Kings County), 1654--. Flatbush and Church Aves., Brooklyn.

Organized 1654 as the first Dutch Church on Long Island, when Rev. Johannes Theodorus Polhomus arrived to serve the Kings County Churches. Incorporated December 20, 1804 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol. 1, p 14). Member of Kings County Collegiate group and services in Dutch until 1824. Cruciform frame church built by order Gov. Stuyvesant 1654, occupied to 1699, when stone church was completed. Present church erected 1796, dedicated 1797, Colonial, brownstone, with white frame steeple, modern American three story red brick church house, erected 1924, and a Colonial three story white frame parsonage, occupy entire city block. Bronze tablet on church inscribed: "The First Church in Flatbush was built upon this site by order of Gov. Peter Stuyvesant in 1654 \* \* \* \* " Served by Brooklyn collegiate clergymen to first settled clergyman, Rev. Thomas M. Strong 1822-61; ed. Columbia Univ. 1816, Princeton Theological Sem. 1819, D.D., N.Y. Univ. Present clergyman, Rev. Joseph Frederick Berg, 1917--; ed. Columbia Univ. 1896, Rutgers Col. 1908, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1917, President General Synod 1919.





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3. FLATLANDS (The Protestant Dutch Reformed Church of the Town of Flatlands), 1654--. Kings Highway and East 40th St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1654. Member of Kings County Collegiate group to 1824. Incorporated May 31, 1838 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 41). An octagonal church, erected on the present site, was dedicated in 1663. In this building benches were used until 1716 when two chairs were bought, one for the Magistrate and the other for the Vef Vrouw (minister's wife). These chairs and a model of church made from its shingles and wrought-iron nails is preserved in the present edifice. The second church of like design and materials, was erected on the same site in 1848. The third and present church was dedicated in 1848. A colonial white frame church with a bell inscribed: "Merrielys rotating yoke. Thomas Mear of London Fecit 1793". The grounds which surround the church, frame parsonage, stone and stucco church house, and the old cemetery have been developed like a park, and are enclosed by an iron fence. Served by Rev. Johannes Theodorus Polhemus as collegiate minister to 1876. First settled clergyman, Rev. William Cruikshank, 1824-34; ed. Union Col. 1821, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1824. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles William Roder, 1914--; ed. New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1911, Univ. of London 1936.

Church, History of the First Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of  
Breuckelen 1654-1896, N.Y., 1896, 93 pp. Church, Dedication of Memorial Trees  
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sketch. Brooklyn, 1938, 6 pp. Loc. NN.



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Minutes: Elders, 1810, 1867-74, 1900--. (Consistory minutes not located). Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 2 vols., 1747-75, 1760-1914. Marriages, 1 vol., 1867-1914. Baptisms, deaths, marriages, members, 1 vol., 1914--. Records were written in Dutch until 1783.

4. BUSHWICK (The Trustees of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the Town of Bushwick in Kings County), 1654-1919. Bushwick Ave., near North 2nd St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1654 as a member of the collegiate group of Long Island. Incorporated February 12, 1810 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1). First church erected 1705, on Humboldt and Conselyea Streets, an octagonal frame, with a high conical roof topped with a cupola, known because of its resemblance as The Haystack Church. Destroyed by congregation to force trustees to erect new church in 1829. During construction of last church, congregation worshipped in school house, standing in the old churchyard. A chapel was established at Bushwick Avenue and Humboldt Street in 1828, which became the First church of Williamsburg (entry 39) in 1829. Last named church joined with Bushwick Church to establish South Bushwick Church (entry 73) in 1851. Thereafter Bushwick Church was known as Old Bushwick, until dissolved in 1919. First rotating clergyman, Rev. Johannes Theodorus Polhemus, 1654-76.

Henry McCloskey, compiled by, "The Old Bushwick Church", Manual of the Common Council of the City of Brooklyn for 1864, N.Y., A. Brown & Co., 47 Nassau St., 1864, pp 150-51. "Old Dutch School House Opposite Modern School", The Brooklyn Daily Eagle, New York, Feb. 2, 1902, p 6. First item loc. NNMu, others loc. NN.

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5. HARLEM (Ministers Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Low Dutch Church of Harlem), 1660--. Church offices, 182 East 122nd St., Manhattan.

Organized 1660. Following establishment of Harlem Village, Director-General Peter Stuyvesant and the Council promised to "employ all possible means" to supply inhabitants with a minister (Council minutes, March 4, 1658). However, no settled clergyman was sent until 1765; meanwhile visiting ministers and voorlesers supplied the congregation. Rev. Martinus B. Schoonmaker became joint pastor of Harlem and Gravesend Churches (entry 10) in 1765. Services were held in dwellings and barns until 1666 when a frame church was erected, located near what is now 1st Avenue and 127th Street. Dedicated church on 1st Avenue and 125th Street, 1868; stone, with a frame tower; destroyed during Revolutionary War, and services suspended. Rebuilt on same site 1789. Incorporated March 28, 1810 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 64). A Sunday School was organized in 1816, catering to a large colored group.

A frame colonial church on 3rd Avenue corner 121st Street, built in 1825; remodeled and enlarged 1852; moved and reset at 175 East 121st Street in 1884. When the decision to erect a new church on Lenox Avenue and 123rd Street was reached it was decided to abandon the old church; but this idea was changed; the two churches (sub-entries A,B below) were joined into one corporation and







the following action was taken, namely, that "for the sake of convenience, this church be known as the Collegiate Reformed Church of Harlem" (Minutes: Nov. 12th, 1886). In 1908, the collegiate system was abandoned, the parish house on East 121st Street was given the name of Elmendorf Chapel (sub-entry C below) which became a chapel of the church corporation; and the original name, the Reformed Church of Harlem, became the name of the Lenox Avenue Church (sub-entry A below), later becoming the present East Eighty-ninth Street Church (sub-entry D below). First voorleser, Michael Zyperus, 1660-63; deacon, Jan La Montagne 1660-62. First settled clergyman, Rev. Martinus Schoenmaker, 1765-84; ed. studied under Goetschius and Marinus.

(A) Harlem, 1886-1929. 123rd St. and Lenox Ave. Known as the Lenox Avenue Church to 1908 when above name was assumed. A brownstone, 13th century Gothic church dedicated on September 30th, 1886, where "Dr. Smyth and about 150 members went" to start the collegiate system. Church occupied to 1929. First clergyman, Rev. George Hutchinson Smyth, D.D., 1886-91 (original Harlem Church 1881-86); ed. N.Y. Univ., Queens Univ. (Belfast, Ireland), Alleghany Sem. (Pittsburg, Pa.).

(B) First, 1886-1908. 175 East 121st St. Services in the Colonial frame church formerly used by the original Harlem Church from 1825. Erected a parish house, adjoining church, in 1894. A two story graystone building with Greek architectural features. Church razed in 1908. First clergyman, Rev. Joachim Elmendorf, 1886-1908.

(C) Elmendorf Chapel, 1908--. 171 East 121st St. Occupies the former First Church parish house, which was rebuilt 1907 and dedicated 1908, and named for Rev. Joachim Elmendorf. Present clergyman, Rev. Arthur Boardman Boynton, 1930--; ed. Amherst Col. 1910, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1913.

(D) East Eighty-ninth Street, 1929--. 67 East 89th St. Previously occupied by Church of the Heavenly Rest, Protestant Episcopal. It is a graystone church and church house adjoining, of early English architecture, with Gothic features. A bell in the tower, which originally hung in the church on 125th Street, is inscribed: "Amsterdam Anno 1734, Me Fecit". Present clergyman, Rev. James Z. Nettinga, 1938--; ed. Hope Col. 1934, Western Theological Sem. 1937, Princeton Theological Sem. 1938.

Giles Henry Mandeville, Golden Memories, N.Y., Graff & Co., 1875, 16 pp. James Riker, History of Harlem, N.Y., 1881, pp. 188-89, 246-48. George Hutchinson Smyth, History of the Reformed Dutch Church of Harlem, N.Y., 1885. Edgar Tilton, Reformed Low Dutch Church of Harlem, N.Y., Church, 1910, 181 pp. 250th Anniv. Nov. 13-21, 1910, program, N.Y., Abbott Press, 1910. Arthur Boardman Boynton, Story of Elmendorf Chapel, N.Y., Church, 1932, 40 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 13 vols., 1816-24, 1824-45, 1845-54, 1855-69, 1870-86, 1886-91, 1891-97, 1897-1914, 1915-21, 1921-28, 1928-32, 1932-36, 1936--. Elders, 3 vols., 1838-48, 1855-1902, 1886-91 (vol. 1 contains marriages, 1833-48, baptisms, 1838-48) Deacons', 1 vol., 1862-69. Registers: Members, 1 vol., 1807--; baptisms, marriages, 1 vol., 1806--. (These 2 vols. are official church registers into which have been transcribed: marriages, 1807-13, 1816-36, 1838-49. Baptisms, 1806-15, 1816-36, 1833-48, in Elder's minutes. Duplicate registers: 2 vols., members, deaths, 1820-1929, 1931--; baptisms, 1870-1911, 1911--; marriages, 1884-1911, 1912-- (at church 171 E. 121st St.). Financial: Pew Book, 1791-1800, receipts, 1809-33, ledger, 1818-26, day book, 1853-55. Sabbath collections,



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1855-87. Cash books, 1886-87. Building committee, 1884-94, Insurance record, 1886-94, bills payable, 1889-1909, finance committee, 1889-97. Three bundles, leases, contracts, varied papers, not catalogued. Sunday School, 2 vols., 1832-36, 1844-48. Loc. church office, 182 E. 122nd St., Manhattan.

6. FIRST OF BROOKLYN (Corporation of the Reformed Dutch Church of the Town of Brooklyn), 1660--. 7th Ave. and Carroll St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1660. Commonly known as Old First. Incorporated December 10, 1804 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 5). Services in home of Joris Dircksen to 1666. A stone church on highway, now Fulton Street between Lawrence and Bridge Streets to 1766; whitewashed stone church to 1807; Joralemon Street near City Hall to 1835; Joralemon and Livingston Streets to 1896. Present church, granite, French Gothic. Chapel under same roof is at rear of Church. Church on the Heights (entry 69) consolidated with Old First 1931. First clergyman, Rev. Henricus Selyns, 1660-64; ed. Univ. of Leyden. Present clergyman, Rev. Cornelius B. Muste, 1931--; ed. Hope Col. 1914, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1917.

(A) Centennial Chapel, 1876-93. 3rd Ave. Originated as mission 1869 at Fulton and Adams Streets, last building, brick and stone. First clergyman, Rev. Abram Nevins Wyckoff 1875-79; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1862, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1867.

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7. STUYVESANT'S CHAPEL, 1660-87. Bouwerie (what is now Stuyvesant Square), Manhattan. (See entry 1-D).





8. FRESH KILLS, 1663-1714, Fresh Kills, Richmond.

Organized 1663 for the Huguenots by Rev. Samuel Drisius who conducted services in a block house located in centre of settlement; called the French Congregation. Supplied by Rev. Pierre Daille, in 1683. First church erected 1698, "on one acre laid out on the south and by east of the bridge, one half on the south side of the highway, the other half on the north side" (now Arthur Kill Road) to 1714. Congregation united with Dutch and English to form Richmond Church (entry 17) at Richmond, then the County Seat. First clergyman, Rev. Petrus Teschenmaker 1683-86; ed. Univ. of Utrecht.

9. SOUTH SIDE, 1665-1714. Stony Brook, Richmond.

Organized 1665 for the Waldenses, supplied by the same pastors serving Fresh Kills Church (entry 8). Frame church, near Black Horse corner, on Amboy Road, leading from Quarantine to Amboy Ferry. Congregation united with Fresh Kills Church to form Richmond Church (entries 8,17) in 1714. First clergyman, Rev. Petrus Teschenmaker, 1683-86, ed. Univ. of Utrecht.

10. GRAVESEND (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Gravesend), 1665--. 115-145 Neck Road, Brooklyn.

Organized 1665 under Kings County Collegiate Church. Withdrew from Collegiate system 1714. Ministers from New Utrecht Church (entry 11) supplied Gravesend until 1762. Reorganized 1765 and joined with Harlem Church (entry 5) for services by Rev. Martinus B. Schoonmaker. Member of Kings County collegiate group 1784-1824. Incorporated September 17, 1839 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 48). Church built 1667, southeast corner of North Westerly Village Square occupied to 1760, when frame church built on same site, occupied to 1833. Frame meeting house, also on the same site, dedicated January 5, 1834, occupied to 1894. Present church, red brick, three story Norman Mission style with bell-tower. On same grounds a modern American, three story, clapboard parsonage. First clergyman, Rev. Johannes T. Polhemus, 1665-76. Present clergyman, Rev. William Renwick Torrens, 1930--.

(A) Woodlawn Chapel, 1890-1906. East 9th St. near Ryder Ave. Originated as a Sunday School in building now occupied by public school #199, at Coney Island and Elm Avenues. Became Woodlawn Chapel in 1892, and Woodlawn Church (entry 142), in 1906. First clergyman, Rev. Nicholas I. M. Bogert, 1900-02; ed. Rutgers Col. 1864, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1867.

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Entry 11-12

11. NEW UTRECHT (Trustees of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the Township of New Utrecht in Kings County), 1677--. 18th Ave. and 83rd St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1677 by Rev. Casperus Van Zuuren, the second minister in the Kings County collegiate system of Dutch churches. Became independent of Collegiate system 1714 making own arrangements with Gravesend Church (entry 10) for joint pastorage. Returned to Collegiate system in 1762, which was finally dissolved in 1808. Incorporated May 19, 1789 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 5). Services in private dwellings. First church erected, on Main Street (now 84th Street), in 1700. Built of stone, octagonal shaped, which the British converted into a hospital and riding school in 1776; restored in 1783 and used until present church dedicated on Thanksgiving Day 1829. Late Colonial, stone, with square belfry. In 1892, red brick parish house at 84th Street and 18th Avenue was built. Frame parsonage at 1828 83rd Street, was erected in 1906. Maintains a department for Italian speaking people in community, founded in 1934. First settled clergyman, Rev. John Beattie, 1809-24; Union Col. 1806. Present clergyman, Rev. Martin Paul Luther, 1928--; ed. Univ. of Penn., Columbia Univ.

(A) Fort Hamilton Chapel, 1825-1896. Fort Hamilton. Organized as a Sunday School, known as the Narrows School. Became a chapel in 1866, and organized as the Bay Ridge Church (entry 134) in 1896.

(B) Edgewood House of Prayer, 1868-91. 53rd St., and 14th Ave. Organized as a branch of New Utrecht Church. Services in frame chapel. Became the Edgewood Church (entry 125) in 1891.

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12. STATEN ISLAND (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church on Staten Island), 1680--. 56 Richmond Ave., Port Richmond, Richmond.

Organized 1680 as North Side Church. Now commonly known as the Port Richmond Church. Services in voorlezer's house (preserved as monument by Staten Island Hist. Soc.), head of Fresh Kills (now 63 Arthur Kill Road) from about 1695. Daniel Shotwell deeded a place of land near Bull's head, between Richmond Village and Port Richmond, in 1700. Following granting of license by Gov. Hunter 1715, log church erected on present site 1716. United with Dutch Church in Bergen, N.J. 1750, and 1757-89 for joint pastorate. Church destroyed by British during Revolution. Services in homes until erection of



brick church, present site 1785; occupied in 1844. Name changed when incorporated 1792. Parochial school established 1811, converted into Sunday School 1812. Worshipped in North Baptist Church during construction of present early Colonial, red-brick edifice, trimmed with white stone; dedicated 1845. Church flanked by red brick combined chapel and parsonage erected 1905, and early Dutch graveyard. Church interior rebuilt after fire 1929. First clergyman, Rev. Petrus Teschenmaker 1683-86; ed. Univ. of Utrecht; first reformed minister ordained in America, (1679). Present clergyman, Rev. Frank S. Fry, 278 Heberton Ave., Port Richmond, S.I. 1928--; ed. Ursinus Col. Collegeville, Pa. 1907, Central Theological Sem. Dayton, Ohio 1910.

(A) Richmond Church, 1808-54. Richmond Village. Organized as branch of Staten Island Church. Services in church erected on site of former building destroyed by British during Revolution. Collegiate relationship dissolved, independently organized 1854 (entry 81). First clergyman, Rev. Peter I. Van Pelt, 1808-35; ed. Columbia Univ. 1799.

(B) Reformed Church at Quarantine, 1820-23. Tompkinsville. Organized as branch of Staten Island Church. Services in Quarantine Hospital (now Marine Hospital) until independently organized at Brighton Heights in 1823 (entry 33). First clergyman, Rev. Peter I. Van Pelt, 1820-23, Staten Island Reformed rotating clergyman.

(C) Port Richmond Branch Church, 1883-1905. Richmond Terrace and Lockman Ave. Mariners' Harbor. Organized as branch of Staten Island Church. Services in Gothic church, of frame and concrete, erected in 1883. Became the Mariners' Harbor Church (entry 141), in 1905.

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Entry 13-15

13. FRENCH (Trustees of the Reformed Protestant French Church in the City of New York), 1688-1804. Pine and Nassau Sts., Manhattan.

Organized 1688 by Rev. Pierre Peiret as Eglise francaise a la Nouvelle York. Originated with occasional French services held in Church in Fort (entry 1-C) from 1628. Incorporated February 20, 1796 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). First services in private dwellings to 1689, when occupied stone church on Marketfield Street (Pettycat Lane). Cornerstone of church laid July 8, 1704 by Lord Cornbury, inscribed: "Vides Sacra Gallor, Prot. Reform. Fund: A. 1704, penitus repar. 1741".....Known as La Temple du St. Esprit until 1804, when it became the Protestant Episcopal Church du St. Esprit. First clergyman, Rev. Pierre Peiret, 1688-1704.

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14. GARDEN STREET, 1693-1812. 41-51 Exchange Place, Manhattan. See Collegiate Church, (entry 1-E).

15. FORDHAM MANOR (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Fordham) 1696--. 71 West Kingsbridge Road, Bronx.

Organized 1696 in Westchester County by the Collegiate Church (entry 1-F), then owner of Fordham Manor. An Act was passed December 12, 1753, permitting sale of the Manor (Colonial Laws N.Y. Vol III, p 983). Lapsed 1776; reorganized independently 1802. Erected church on north side of Fordham Road in Devoe Park 1706, converted into stable by Emmerick's Chasseurs 1776. Built a second church just east of present site 1802, occupied to 1849. Present church, dedicated October 10, 1849; remodeled and chapel built adjoining church 1880; rededicated July 16, 1880. An American Colonial, red-brick edifice, trimmed with white wood. There is a tower over the entrance to the church which is supported by four columns. The church stands in the center of a large plot, behind which is situated the frame Church House. Aided in the establishment of Andersen Memorial Church (entry 130) in 1893. First clergyman, Rev. John Montaigne, 1696. Present clergyman, Rev. Robert G. Ritchie, 1935--; ed. Hope Col. A.B. 1928, New Brunswick Theological Sem., B.D. 1932, Union Theological Sem.

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16. FIRST OF JAMAICA (First Reformed Dutch Church of Jamaica), 1702--. 153rd St. and Jamaica Ave., Jamaica, Queens.

Organized 1702 as the first Dutch Church in Queens County, although Kings County ministers had held occasional services in this town from 1661. Lapsed 1776-78 during British occupation. Combined with Newtown First (entry 19), Oyster Bay and Success Churches (see forthcoming New York State Reformed Church in America Inventory) to form Collegiate Church of Queens County, under one minister and Consistory in 1739. This relation was dissolved April 20, 1802, by Long Island Classis. Newtown First and Jamaica Church maintained a joint clergyman until 1853. First services in First Presbyterian Church. Erected a brick church on plot on Main Street, given by Benjamin Woolsey in 1715; used as a storehouse by British 1776-78. Occasional services were held in Grace Protestant Episcopal Church until 1785, when original church was restored, then occupied to 1833. Dedicated a new frame church, on same site, July 4, 1833, destroyed by fire in 1858. Present church, Gothic, brick construction, dedicated 1859, brick church house adjoining. Communion table used 1716-1833 and Alms Chest dated 1775 are preserved in present church. First Collegiate pastor, Rev. Johannes Vermanus Van Basten, 1739-40. First settled clergyman, Rev. John B. Alliger, 1853-70; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1835, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1840. Present clergyman, Rev. Robert A. Watson, 1928--; ed. Dalhousie Col. 1907, President Sem. (Halifax, Nova Scotia) 1910.

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17. RICHMOND (The Dutch Reformed Church at Richmond Village), 1714-76. Richmond Village, Richmond.

Organized 1714 by the merging of the French, Dutch and English members of the Fresh Kills (entry 8) and South Side (entry 9) Churches. Services in Voorlezer's House. Erected Church in centre of Island, 1769. Deed known as "Rezean Dood", transferred land to Dutch and Presbyterians, latter thought to be the English who worshipped in Stony Brook Court House from 1727. Church destroyed during Revolution by British. First clergyman, Rev. (William) Guilian Bertholf, 1714-24; Lic. and Ord. at Middleburg 1693.

18. MIDDLE CHURCH, 1729-1844. Nassau St. between Liberty and Cedar Sts., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-G).

19. NEWTOWN FIRST (The First Reformed Dutch Church of Newtown), 1731--. Corona Ave. and Broadway, Elmhurst, Queens.

Organized 1731 as the Reformed Low Dutch Congregation of Newtown in Queens County. Combined with Jamaica Church (entry 16), Oyster Bay, and Success Churches (see forthcoming New York State Inventory of Reformed Church in America) to form Collegiate Church of Queens County, in 1739. This relationship was dissolved April 20, 1802 by Long Island Classis, Jamaica and Newtown Church continued to maintain a joint clergyman until 1853. Incorporated 1828. Dutch services to 1834. Congregation erected a frame, octagon shaped church in 1732, at Broadway and Union Avenue, on land given by Peter Berrion (County Clerk, Newtown Great Book of Records March 21, 1733). Present church dedicated 1832. A frame Colonial church with a square tower, in the belfry is a bell cast in Holland, 1792. The cornerstone is inscribed: "Reformed Dutch Church built A.D. 1732, Rebuilt A.D. 1831-32". Tablet inscribed: "A powder magazine for British Army during Revolution". A frame Colonial church house, erected in 1874, adjoins church, next to which is the old graveyard. Frame parsonage, 83-12 Vieter Avenue, erected 1894. Assisted in forming Second of Astoria 1854, East Williamsburgh 1855; Newtown Second 1855, First of Long Island City 1875, Steinway 1890, Ridgewood 1891 (entries 82,83,85,111,122,127). First Collegiate pastor, Rev. Johannes Vermanus Van Basten, 1739-40. First settled pastor, Rev. Thomas Romeyn, 1753-60; ed. College of New Jersey 1750. Present clergyman, Rev. Edward Nils, 1922--; ed. John Hopkins Univ. 1889-90, Williams Col. 1891, Union Theological Sem. 1894, Central Col. (Iowa) 1930.

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20. GERMAN (The Corporation of the German Reformed Church in the City of New York), 1758--. 351-355 East 68th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1758. Previously, among the Germans who had settled in New York, were many of whom had been connected in Europe with the German Reformed Church. Those understanding the Netherland language connected themselves to the Dutch Reformed Church, others, attended the Lutheran (now St. Matthew's) church. The desire to have Reformed services in the German language induced them to organize a church for that purpose. A letter addressed to the Classis of Amsterdam, by the New York Church, December 20, 1758, regarding the organizing of the German Reformed Church, reads: "Consistory held after calling on God's name. About forty members, male and female, presented a request for dismission from our congregation, in order that being High Dutch, and a High Dutch minister having been called here, they might join the same by certificate. Nevertheless, with the privilege, in case the new enterprise fell through, of being received back into our bosom. The request was granted, and the President was authorized to prepare the certificate. They, moreover, requested to be allowed, to bury their dead with us as formerly, until they got a place of their own; also, that their minister, Domine Abraham Rosenkrantz, might be installed by domine as the oldest minister. This was granted. In name etc. J. Pitzema, p. t. President". (Ecc. Rec. p 3724). Joined the Classis of Amsterdam, 1764. Incorporated June 11, 1784, October 1, 1847 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 4; vol 2, p 125).

First church, converted theatre building, Nassau Street between Maiden Lane and John Street, occupied to 1765. Stone church, on same site, cornerstone of which was laid, March 8, 1765; dismantled by British troops during Revolutionary War; rebuilt and occupied to 1822. Church at 21 Forsythe Street to 1861; 129 Norfolk Street to 1897. Present church, dedicated 1898, modified Gothic, brick construction; cornerstone inscribed: "Gegruendet 1758 - Neuerbaut 1897". In the belfry is an inscribed bell, presented 1908, by Kaiser Wilhelm II of Germany. Third German Evangelical Church (entry 76) merged with this congregation, in 1867. First clergyman, Rev. Abraham Fosenkrantz, 1758-59. Present clergyman, Rev. Julius Paul Jaeger, 1906--; ed. Bloomfield Sem. 1906.





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21. NCFTH CHURCH, 1769-1875. Fulton St. corner William St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church, (entry 1-H).

22. CLASSIS OF NEW YORK, 1771--. 156 5th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1771. There was no classis in America until 1754, when an American classis, somewhat irregularly formed, was organized. In 1771, a classis, known as a "Particular Body" meeting in New York at least once a year; usually twice, was composed of the congregation of New York, Flatbush, Brooklyn, Bushwick, New Utrecht, Gravesend, Flatlands, Jamaica, Newtown, Success, Cyster Bay, Harlem, Phillipsburgh, Courtland Town, Fordham and Peekskill; with a provisional relationship with Staten Island. In 1784, the Classis of New York, was comprised of New York Collegiate (three congregations); Flatbush, Brooklyn, Bushwick, Amersfort, New Utrecht, Jamaica, Cyster Bay, Success, Newtown, Phillipsburgh, Courtland's Manor; New York German, the two churches of Staten Island are now (1784) found in Classis of Hackensack; in 1800, Peekskill, Staten Island and Fordham are found in Classis of New York. At present the Cla ssis embraces three boroughs - Manhattan, Bronx, Richmond - Manhattan having eleven churches; Bronx, nine; and Richmond, six. Included also are seven mission churches: New Mexico, two; Oklahoma, one; Kentucky, three; Nebraska, one. First President, Rev. John H. Livingston, D.D., S.T.D. 1770-1810; ed. Yale Col. 1762, Univ. of Utrecht, Holland, 1769. Present President, Rev. Ernest R. Palen; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1922, '29, Middle-burgh Col., Vt. 1926, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1929.

Souvenir of Presidential Banquets to the Reverend the Classis of New York, North and South Long Island, and Westchester, Reformed Dutch Church in America, (pamphlet). Souvenir of Presidential Banquet, April 19, 1897, N.Y., Church, 1897. Loc. NjNbS. Edward Tanjore Corwin, A Digest of Constitutional and Synodical Legislation, Reformed Church in America, N.Y., Bd. of Publications, 1906. Rules of the Classis of New York Tercentenary, 1928. Contains a historical statement and lists of churches, missions and ministerial members, N.Y., Church, 1928, 24 pp. Loc. NjNbS.

Minutes: Acts and Proceedings, 13 vols., 1771-1861 (in Dutch to 1790), 1802-11,1812-14,1815-19,1819-27,1828-39,1839-52,1852-66,1866-80, 1881-87,1887-93, CI 1893-1902, CII 1902-11. Loc. NjNbS. 1911-- custody



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Stated Clerk, Dr. James M. Martin, 3149 Buhre Ave., Bx.

23. PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK, 1800--. 156 5th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1800. The Reverend Meeting of Ministers and Elders (1771-92), became a Particular Synod for the whole church, 1793, and was divided into the Particular Synods of New York, and Albany in 1800. Meetings are held annually. First President, Rev. John H. Livingston D.D., S.T.D., 1784-1804, ed. Yale Col. 1762, Univ. of Utrecht, Holland, 1769. Present President, Rev. Daniel G. Verwey, ed. Rutgers Col. 1905, New Brunswick Sem. 1908.

William Henry Steele Demarest, Address at the 125th Anniv.....Particular Synod of New York, #10, N.Y., Laidlie Memorial Fund, 1925. Minutes of Particular Synod of New York; 3 vols. (unbound) 1815-20, 1824-28, 1920; 12 vols. (bound) 1913-1935; 1 vol. unbound 1936--. Minutes of Particular Synod of New York, (duplicate copies unbound), 1814, '24, '25, '35-'38, '40-'90, '92-1936. Loc. NjNbs. Minutes of Particular Synod of New York, 1811-1905, 1915-16; N.Y., Church, 1928. Loc. NN.

Minutes: vol. 1, 1800-24, vol. 2, 1828-53, vol. 3, 1855-77. Loc. NjNbs. 1877--, custody Stated Clerk, Rev. Herman Hageman, Claverack, N.J.

24. GREENWICH (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church at Greenwich), 1803-66. 46th St. and 6th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1803 by New York Classis upon request of Reformed Church members residing in Greenwich. Incorporated September 5, 1805 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Pastor and 14 members withdrew, formed Eighth Presbyterian Church, 1819. Located at Charles and Amos Streets to 1826; Bleecker and Amos Streets to 1863; last location to 1866, when church disbanded. First clergyman, Rev. Stephen N. Rowan, 1807-19; ed. Union Col. 1804, Columbia Univ. S.T.D. 1822.

Minutes: Consistory, 5 vols., 1803-18, 1825-45, 1845-59, 1859-63, 1863-66. Spiritual consistory; 1815-56. Registers: Vol. 1, members, 1804-59, marriages, 1808-59, baptisms, 1806-58. Vol. 2, members, 1804-14, baptisms, 1806-15. Vol. 3, marriages, 1808-15. Vol. 4, baptisms, marriages, members, 1859-66, deaths, 1859-63. Vol. 5, marriages, funerals, 1855-59, baptisms, 1855-58, communicants, 1855-57. Financial: Treas. accts. 1807-32 (contains pew list 1808-27), 1859-66. Subscription and expenses for new church 1825, with pew list 1826-37. Pew list, 1857-64. Journal, 1840-59. Deacons' treas. accts. 2 vols., 1849-59, 1859-65. Other records: Carton of misc. papers including vouchers, receipt books, subscription lists. Loc. NjNbs.

25. BLOOMINGDALE (The Church of Harsenville According to the Doctrine and Discipline of the Synod of Dort), 1805-1913. West End Ave. at 106th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1805 by Rev. John H. Livingston, pastor of the Collegiate Church (entry 1), and residents in Harsenville. Incorporated September 16, 1806 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 46). Frame church erected on ground given by Jacob Harsen, on northwest corner of what is now Broadway





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and 69th Street, occupied until stone church at Broadway and 63th Street was dedicated July 16, 1816. Moved in 1869, to 71st Street, near Columbus Avenue in 1886, to Broadway and 66th Street in 1906, to last location until 1913, when dissolved. First clergyman, Rev. David Schuyler Bogart, 1806-7; ed. Col. City of N.Y. 1790; studied theology under Rev. John H. Livingston.

Carlos Martyn, The History of Eighty Years, (includes proceedings..... opening for Public Worship, Consistory 1866, 102 pp. Holland Society, "Records Bloomingdale Church" Year Book 1897, N.Y., Holland Society, 1898. Hope Striker Mott, The New York of Yesterday, (includes vital statistics 1806-88) Putnam's Sons, 1908, 597 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 7 vols., 1805-1913. Board of Officers, 3 vols., 1896-1913. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, 2 vols., 1806-1866, 1900-1911. Members, 1 vol., 1856-81 (baptisms 1806-88, marriages, 1806-77, members, 1807-81, pub. in New York of Yesterday). Financial: Treas., cash receipts, disbursements, 3 vols., 1882-1913. Loc. NjNbS.

26. MADISON AVENUE (The Consistory of the North West Protestant Reformed Dutch Church in the City of New York), 1808-1915. Madison Ave. and 57th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1808 with members of Collegiate Church (entry 1) by New York Classis. Incorporated December 30, 1808 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 4). Franklin Street near Church Street, commonly called Franklin Street Church to 1854; 23rd Street between 6th and 7th Avenues to 1871; then to last location and renamed. Half of congregation left to establish separate worship in 1839, later uniting with Laight Street Presbyterian Church. Organized a mission station 1898, which became Bethany Memorial Church (entry 137). Dissolved 1915, sold building to Central Presbyterian Church, many members joining that church. First clergyman, Rev. Christian Bork, 1808-23; ed. Columbia Univ. D.D., 1811.

Exercises at Laying of Cornerstone N.Y., Church, 1871, 22 pp. Year Books, 1867-1890-92, 1896, 1898, 1905-07 (1890-99 called Manual), N.Y., Church, 1888-1907. Rev. Edward Allen Reed, Manly Christianity, a sermon, N.Y., S. W. Green, 1879, 20 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 6 vols., 1803-27, 1827-41, 1842-70, 1866-99, 1870-89, 1889-1917. Elders, 1828-59, 1857-1913. Deacons, 1827-33. Registers: Members, 1 vol., copied from original records (custody Central Presbyterian Church, Park Avenue & 64th Street), 1803-1915. Members, 1808-98, 1866-92, 1899-1915. Baptisms, 1808-36, 1868-98. Marriages, 1808-18, 1818-35, 1866-94. Births, marriages, deaths, 1886-1915. Deaths, 1891. Financial: Treas. cash books and ledgers, 1823-58, 1858-69, 1866-76, 1870-87, 1900-12. Pew rents, 1842-51. Acct. book 1837-1900. Poor funds, 1892-1900. Two embossed subscription books giving donors' names and amounts to Holland Church (entry 96) in N.Y. Loc. NjNbS.

27. RICHMOND CHURCH, 1808-54. Richmond Village, Richmond. See Staten Island Reformed Church (entry 12-A).

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Entry 28-29

28. SOUTH (The Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in Garden Street in the City of New York), 1812-1914. Park Ave. and 85th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1812, when the Garden Street Church (entry 1-E) withdrew from the Collegiate Church to become independent. Incorporated March 21, 1812 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Stone church with brick trim erected in 1693, on Garden Street, now Exchange Place, was destroyed by fire in 1835. Controversy over rebuilding led to formation of the Washington Square Church (entry 47) in 1837. Located at Murray Street to 1849 (commonly known as Murray Street Church); 5th Avenue, corner 21st Street to 1890. Church at 245 Madison Avenue to 1910, when Prospect Hill Church (entry 93) consolidated (County Clerk, Inc. vol 38, #104) with South Church. Last church occupied until dissolution in 1914, part of congregation joining Park Avenue Presbyterian Church, which took over building. First clergyman, Rev. James M. Matthews, D.D., 1813-34; ed. Union Col. 1803, Associate Reformed Sem. 1807.

(A) Manor Chapel, 1866-1914. 350 W. 26th St. Organized under care of South Church, having started as Sunday School #120 of the Sabbath School Union in 1854, known as Manor Mission from 1855. Services in a hall, at 25th Street and 9th Avenue, until South Church, erected a modified Gothic brick church for Manor Chapel in 1873; enlarged by addition of church house in 1907. Classis of New York assumed charge of Manor Chapel in 1914; reorganized independently as Manor Church (entry 154).

James McFarlane Matthews, Fifty Years in New York, N.Y., Fanshaw, 1858, 48 pp. Frederic C. White, compiler, Historical Sketch, N.Y., Gilliss Bros. and Turnure, 1887, 57 pp. Report for the Year 1898/99, 1899/1900, 1902/3, 1905/6 - 1906/7 N.Y., Church. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, Vol. 1, 1811-32, Vol. 2, index to vol. 1, Vol. 3, 1832-51, Vol. 4, 1852-88, Vol. 5, 1889-1910. Ministers and elders, 1 vol., 1812-30. Elders, 1 vol., 1850-1858. Consistory and elders, 1 vol., 1862-1916. Deacons, 1 vol., 1814-58. Registers; 5 vols., marriages and baptisms, 1812-51. Baptisms, 1817-20. Members, 1814-30, 1839-55. Members, marriages and baptisms, 1862-1914. Financial; 2 Treas. cash books, 1813-28, 1891-1917. Ledgers, 1900-08, 1904-16. Deacons Accts. 1814-92. Treas. Accts. with Chapel Fund 1904-16. Pew rents, 1814-38, 1869-79. Pewholders, 1855-86, 1894-1900, 1906-14. Loc. NjNbS.

29. CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND, 1813-43.

Organized 1813. First met in Flatbush Church, Brooklyn. Comprised of the congregations of New Utrecht, Flatbush, Flat Lands, and Bushwick, Kings County; Newtown and Jamaica, Queens County; Port Richmond County. The Classis was divided into the North Classis of Long Island and the South Classis of Long Island (entries 57, 58) in 1843. First President, Rev. Peter Lowe, 1813-(?); ed. Queen's Col. 1810,

Minutes: 4 vols., 1813-28, 1829, 1829-41, 1841-43. Questorate 1 vol., 1831-72 (after 1844 refers to South Classis of L.I.). Loc. NjNbS.





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Entry 30-33

30. MARKET STREET (The Consistory of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church). 1817-69. Henry and Market Sts., Manhattan.

Organized 1817, by Revs. Philip Milledoler and Zechariah H. Kuypers of the Collegiate Church (entry 1). Incorporated December 18, 1819 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Stone, Colonial meeting type church, now occupied by the Presbyterian Church of the Sea and Land. Memorial tablet inscribed "Founded A.D. 1817, completed and dedicated.....the 27th day of June A.D. 1819, on ground generously presented.....by Colonel Henry Rutgers". Dissolved 1869, church sold and funds divided among North West, St. Paul's, and Prospect Hill Churches (entries 26,45,93). First clergyman, Rev. William McMurray, 1819-35; ed. Union Col. 1804, D.D. 1853, Columbia Univ. S.T.D. 1852.

Frederick Bruckbauer, The Kirk on Rutgers Farm, N.Y., F. H. Revell, 1919, 133 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1844-66, 1866-69. Ministers and elders, 1 vol., 1819-69. Deacons, 2 vols., 1819-23, 1823-66. Registers: Members, marriages, baptisms, 1 vol., members, 1819-66, marriages, 1864-66, baptisms, 1864-65. Financial: Treas. accts, 1820-67. Receipts, 1845-66, 1852-54. Subscriptions to new church 3 vols., 1817. Poor Fund, 1 vol., 1859-69. Pew rents, 2 vols., 1820. Miscellaneous, 9 packages, vouchers, receipts, insurance policies, finance and committee reports. Loc. NjNBS. Pew Books, 4 vols., 1840-55, 1845-51, 1851-55, 1852-60. Interments, 1 vol., 1835-57. Minute Book, 1 vol., 1819-43. Loc. NH1.

31. QUARANTINE, 1820-23. Tompkinsville, Richmond. See Staten Island Church (entry 12-B).

32. AFRICAN (The First Protestant Dutch Church of the People of Colour, New York), 1823-29. Duane St. near Hudson St., Manhattan.

Organized 1823, as the first Reformed Church for Negroes. Incorporated March 16, 1825 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 128). The deed said in part that, "we Jacob Wells, and William Thomas have been duly elected and installed Elders and we Ceasor Smith and Andrew Oatfield have been duly elected and installed Deacons". Services were held in a public school. First clergyman, Rev. Mark Jordan (colored), 1823-29; licensed by the Collegiate Church.

33. BRIGHTON HEIGHTS (The Reformed Church, Brighton Heights, Staten Island), 1823--. St. Marks and Fort Places, St. George, Richmond.

Organized 1823, from branch of Staten Island Church (entry 12-B). Gov. Daniel D. Tompkins donated land and money for Colonial brick church, erected on Victory Boulevard at Bay Street, Tompkinsville, known as the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church at Tompkinsville; occupied to 1864. Cornerstone present Corinthian brick edifice laid 1863; dedicated 1864. Act to change name passed March 23, 1870 (Laws of N.Y. 1870, p 292). Founded Sunday School at Stapleton in 1848, which became Stapleton Church (entry 74), in 1851. First clergyman, Rev. John E. Miller 1823-47; ed. Union Col., 1812. Present clergyman, Rev. John Warnshius 1926--; ed. Hope Col., 1910, New Bruns-



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Entry 33-35

Richard Mather Baules, History of Richmond County, ancient baptismal records early Dutch Church N.Y., 1887, pp 368-394, loc. NN. 250th Anniv., N.Y. church, 1915, loc. NN. Brighton Heights Reformed Church 1823-1925, St. George, S.I., 1925, loc. church. Leng and Davis, Staten Island and its People, pp 429-43, Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 5 vols., 1823-45, 1845-71, 1850-76, 1871-94, 1877-93. Registers: 4 vols., deaths, baptisms, births, marriages, 1811-1912, 1812-93, 1912-27, 1927-- , members, 1 vol., 1823-- . Financial: 8 vols., 1827-89, 1830-57, 1830-58, 1830-61, 1851-60, 1852-65, 1861-74, 1873-74. Other records: Sunday School, 8 vols., 1871-72, 1888-1908, 1895, 1896, 1902, 1903, 1904. Women's Auxiliary, 5 vols., 1892-1902, 1902-13, 1906-21, 1913-21, 1924.

34. SEVENTH AVENUE (The Minister, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Dutch Church on the corner of Greene and Houston Streets), 1823-59. 7th Ave. near 12th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1823, as Houston Street Dutch Reformed Church. Started with missionary services in Watch House, Prince and Wooster Streets in 1822. Incorporated May 31, 1823 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Church at Houston and Greene Streets to 1852, when name was changed. Located above address to 1850, when united with West Church to form Union Church (entries 68, 92). First clergymen, Rev. Eli Baldwin, 1825-39; ed. Univ. Col. of Medicine 1817, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1820.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1850-58 (contains trial of William H. Van Dalsen, charged with schism). Loc. NjNbs. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, marriages, 1823-59, members, dismissions, 1823-64, deaths, 1825-59, elders, and deacons, 1823-36. Loc. NHi.

35. THIRTY-FOURTH STREET (The Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in Broome Street in the City of New York), 1823-95. 34th St. West of 8th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1823 as the Broome Street Church. Incorporated January 27, 1834 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Located at corner Broome and Greene Streets to 1860, then moved to 34th Street west of 8th Avenue, and changed name. Livingston Church (entry 70) united with Thirty-fourth Street Church in 1859. Thirty-fourth Street Church united with De Witt Chapel (entry 1-Q), to become Thirty-fourth Street Chapel (entry 1-W) in 1895. First clergyman, Rev. Robert McLean, 1824-26.

Peter Stryker, Historical Discourse, N.Y., Board of Publications, 1860, 36 pp. Rev. Isaac Riley, Historical Discourse on 50th Anniversary, N.Y., church, 1874, 40 pp. Fiftieth Anniversary, N.Y., church, 1874, 56 pp. 1st item loc. N.Y. Classis, 25 E. 22nd St., others loc. NN.





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Entry 36-39

36. NEW LOTS (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of New Lots), 1824--.  
New Lots and Schenck Aves., Brooklyn.

Organized 1824. Church dedicated 1824, of Colonial architecture, white clapboard construction; chapel and parsonage of same style and material, all situated in church-yard. First clergyman, Rev. William Cruikshank, 1824-34; ed. Union Col. 1821, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1824. Present clergyman, Rev. Howard Crosby Hasbrouck, 1904--; ed. Rutgers Col. 1891, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1894.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 4 vols., 1824-66 (includes minutes 1916-27) 1866-1905, 1905-16, 1927--. Registers: Vol. 1, baptisms, members, deaths, 1824-1906, marriages, 1825-1926 (hiatus 1877-1904). Vol. 2, baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1824--, contains records of vol. 1, transcribed by present minister, and current records.

37. ORCHARD STREET (The Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in Orchard Street in the City of New York), 1826-32. Orchard St. between Broome and Delancey Sts., Manhattan.

Organized 1826. Incorporated March 5, 1827 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Only church occupied to dissolution in 1832. First clergyman, Rev. James H. Teller, 1826-29.

38. SOUTH CLASSIS OF NEW YORK, 1828-76.

Organized 1828. Comprised of Garden Street, Market Street, Orchard Street, Courtlandtown and Tompkinsville Churches. South Classis of New York united with the Classis of New York (entry 22) in 1876.

39. FIRST OF WILLIAMSBURG (The Trustees of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the Village of Williamsburg in the County of Kings), 1829--. Bedford Ave. and Keap St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1829 out of the chapel of Bushwick Church (entry 4). Incorporated May 11, 1829 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 14). Frame church, corner of 4th (now Bedford Ave.) and South 2nd Streets, occupied to 1866, and sold to Central Baptist Church. Services were held in various halls until October 17, 1869, when church was dedicated at Bedford Avenue and Clymer Street, built of brick and stone, of Norman architecture, occupied to 1921. Services conducted in auditorium of Y.W.C.A., at above address, since 1921. Congregation assisted in forming Kent Street Church 1848, South Bushwick Church 1851, Lee Avenue Church 1855 (entries 64, 73, 84). First clergyman, Rev. James Demarest, 1829-39; ed. Col. of Physicians and Surgeons 1820, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1829. Present clergyman, Rev. Sanford Culver Hearn, 1919--.

Our Sabbath School Floral Anniversary, N.Y. Baker and Godwin, 1871, 19 pp. Church, In Memoriam - commemorating pastorate of Elbert Stothoff Porter, D.D. 1849-83. Contains historical sermon by Dr. Porter 1866. New York, Church, 1888. Cecelia S. Watts, Historical Record of Church, Typed 1937. Loc. Church.



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Minutes: Elders, 1 vol., 1840--; custody Walter Auton, 1728 East 30th Street, Brooklyn. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1834--; deaths, 1844--; members, 1840--; Custody of Rev. Sanford C. Hearn, 106 Gold Street.

40. MANHATTAN (The Ministers, Elders and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Manhattan in the City of New York), 1829-73. 71 Ave. B., Manhattan.

Organized 1829 by the Young Men's Mission Society, as "The Young Men's Mission". Incorporated December 23, 1829 (County Register, Pol. Inc. vol 1). Church on 3rd Street near Avenue D to 1843; at above address until dissolved in 1873, when property and leasehold was transferred to Collegiate Church (entry 1). First clergyman, Rev. Charles Knouse, 1829-33.

Minutes: Consistory, 3 vols., 1829-36, 1836-55 (includes suspensions, 1840-46), 1856-73. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms (includes church history dated 1829) 1829-73 (Rev. Ebenezer Wiggins entered 7 baptisms he performed 1875-78), marriages, members, 1829-73, deaths, 1837-56, 1870, dismissals, 1836-73. Financial: Treas. ledger, 1857-73. Loc. NjNbS.

41. VANDEWATER (Vandewater Street Reformed Church), 1829-31. Vandewater St., Manhattan.

Organized 1820 in church previously occupied by Vandewater Street Presbyterian Church. Disbanded 1831. First clergyman, Rev. Richard Varick Day, 1829-31; ed. Columbia Univ. 1818, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1822.

42. NINTH STREET (Ninth Street Protestant Reformed Dutch Church), 1831-36. 9th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1831. Became a chapel of the Collegiate Church (entry 1-I), in 1836. First clergyman, Rev. Frances M. Kip, 1831-36; ed. Col. of City N.Y., 1826, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1830, President, General Synod 1856.

43. NORTH STREET (North Street Protestant Reformed Dutch Church), 1833-37. Manhattan.

Organized 1833 as the result of missionary services held from 1828. Worshipped in church, on North (now East Houston) Street. Dissolved 1837. Served by Rev. George Bourne; ed. Homerton Sem. (London) 1804.

44. NINTH STREET, 1836-55. 9th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-I).





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Entry 45-47

45. ST. PAUL'S (The Reformed Dutch Church in Twenty-first Street), 1836-77. 42nd St. and 6th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1836 as the Twenty-first Street Church. Incorporated March 31, 1836 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Services in church at 47 East 21st Street to 1867, sold to the Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity. Met in Lyric Hall, to 1869, when name was changed to St. Paul's, located 40th Street near 6th Avenue to 1872; commonly known as the Fortieth Street Church. Worshipped in the Rutgers Presbyterian Church, 73rd Street and Broadway to 1873; the Harvard Club, 42nd Street and 6th Avenue to 1874. Dissolved 1877. First clergyman, Rev. Edward H. May, 1839-46; ed. Hoxton Col. and Sam. London, 1815.

Report of Consistory of St. Paul's, March 1877, contains brief history of church. N.Y., John F. Trow and Sons, 1877, 16 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1836-65, 1865-77. Spiritual consistory, 2 vols., 1836-60 (engrossed), 1836-71. Elders, 1 vol., 1872-73. Registers: members, 5 vols., 1836-64. Baptisms, marriages, 2 vols., 1839-49, 1862-72. Financial: Treas. record, 1 vol., 1858-72. 3 Receipt books, 1856-75. Lodgers, 2 vols., 1872-77. Sinking fund Accts., 1 vol., 1855-63. Pewholders, 1 vol., 1849-67. Loc. MjNBs.

46. CENTRAL (The Consistory of the Central Reformed Dutch Church in the City of Brooklyn), 1837-51. Henry St., between Clark and Pierrepont Sts., Brooklyn.

Organized 1837 as the Second Reformed Dutch Church of Brooklyn, with aid of First of Brooklyn (entry 6). Started as mission by Long Island Classis in 1836, with Rev. John Carretsen as stated supply. Name changed and incorporated January 29, 1839 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 41). First services in Brooklyn Lyceum hall, Washington and Concord Streets. Church dedicated 1840, on Henry Street, occupied to 1850, when sold to Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church. Dissolved 1851, succeeded by Church on the Heights (entry 69). First clergyman, Rev. Jacob Brodhead, 1841-46; ed. Union Col. 1801, studied under Rev. Freeling and Rev. Romeyn.

Consistory minutes, 1836-52, (contains preface regarding Central Church). Jacob Brodhead, Sermon in Central Church, N.Y., church, 1851, 25 pp, NN. Church on the Heights, Minute book, 1851-69 (contains list of Central Church communicants received).

Records in vols of Church on the Heights, custody First of Brooklyn, 7th Avenue, and Carroll Street, Brooklyn.

47. WASHINGTON SQUARE (The Dutch Church on Washington Square), 1837-77. Washington Square, Manhattan.

Organized 1837 as the New Reformed Church on Washington Square, by the minister and 49 members of South Church (entry 28), who withdrew on account of disagreement over location of new church after old one had been destroyed by fire in 1835. Incorporated as The New South Reformed Dutch Church in Washington Square, May 3, 1837 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 2,



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p 2). Change of corporate title, May 13, 1840 (Laws of N.Y. 1840, p 227). Services in New York University Chapel, on Washington Square to 1843. Church on Washington Square, dedicated in 1843; occupied to 1877, when congregation dissolved. First clergyman, Rev. James M. Matthews, 1837-43; ed. Union Col. 1803, Associate Reformed Sem. D.D. 1807, a founder and first Chancellor of N.Y. Univ. Co-pastor, Rev. Mancius Smedes Hutton, 1837-77; ed. Columbia Univ. 1823. D.D. 1841, Princeton Theological Sem. 1826.

Mancius Smedes Hutton, Historical Discourse, N.Y. Church, 1877, 24 pp.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1837-62. Elders, 1 vol., 1837-75.

Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1837-78, marriages, 1828-80 (1828-35 are records of German Valley and Fox Hill, N.J., entered by Rev. Hutton from his private record), members, 1837-75. Loc. NjNbS.

Deeds, 1 vol., 1844-71. Receipts, 2 vols., 1861-70, 1870-76. Loc. NHi.

48. GERMAN EVANGELICAL (German Evangelical Mission Church of New York), 1838-1911. 141 E. Houston St., Manhattan.

Organized 1838. Incorporated November 18, 1839 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Variouslly located at 6th Street and Avenue D, Allen Street, 134 Seventh Street, 175 Houston Street, to 1846. Worshipped at 122 Rivington Street to 1865, 215 Forsythe Street to 1869, 82 Second Street to 1893, 78 Second Street, shortly afterwards moving to last location. United with Zion German Presbyterian Church to form Zion Church (entry 149) in 1911. First clergyman, Rev. John Rudy, 1839-42; ed. studied under Rev. Albert B. Helffenstein.

Records combined with those of Zion German Evangelical Church, at that church, 1238 Stebbins Avenue, Bronx.

49. FIRST OF ASTORIA (First Protestant Reformed Dutch Church of Astoria), 1839--. 12th St., near 26th Ave., Astoria, Queens.

Organized July 14th, 1839, the result of community congregation meetings held in private homes at Hallett's Cove from 1834. Services in frame church, on present site, to 1888, when present church was erected; dedicated in 1889. A red brick, Gothic church with open bell tower in the steeple. Frame parish house adjoins church. First clergyman, Rev. Alexander Hamilton Bishop, 1840-53; ed. Yale Col. 1830, Princeton Sem. 1835. Present clergyman, Rev. Alfred R. Winham, 1934--; ed. New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1934.

Matthias L. Haines, "Anniversary Sermon 1839-84" Long Island Courier, June 7, 1884.

Minutes: Community congregation minutes, separate sheets dated October 12, 1835, October 26, 1835, November 2, 1835, August 2, 1835. Consistory, 3 vols., 1839-76, 1876-1920, 1920--. Elders, 3 vols., 1839-70 (includes members, baptisms, deaths, 1839-76), 1870-1922, 1936--. Registers: marriages, 1 vol., 1842-92. 1 vol., members, baptisms, deaths, 1876-1920, marriages, 1892-1920. 1 vol., baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1920--. Financial: List of original subscribers and amounts dated 1835. Lodgers, 3 vols., 1839-



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58, 1853-75, 1875-82. Ledgers, 1882--. Custody Arthur A. Munio, 30-46 23rd Street, Astoria. Record of individual contributions 1888-95.

50. FOREST PARK (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of East New York), 1839--. 35-19 86th Ave., Woodhaven, Queens.

Organized 1839 as The East New York Church. Incorporated May 6, 1841 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 59). Services in frame church, on Jersey Avenue between Fulton Street and Jamaica Avenue, Brooklyn, to 1910. Dedicated present frame church in Queens, in 1910. Erected a frame parish house, adjoining church, in 1922. Received members from the then dissolving Forest Park Presbyterian Church, and adopted present name in 1913. First clergyman, Rev. William Henry Campbell, 1839-41; ed. Dickerson Col. 1828, Princeton Sem. 1829, Union Col. D.D. 1844. Present clergyman, Rev. Floyd L. Cornish, 1904--; ed. Union Theological Sem. 1904.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1917-34, \*\*1934-- (includes yearly Sunday School, financial records). Elders, 2 vols., 1888-1932, \*1932--. Registers: Baptisms, confirmations, marriages, members, 1839-94, 1894-1908, 1908--. (\*Custody, clerk, Joseph C. Rankin, Sr., 38-43 80th Street, Woodhaven, Queens. \*\*Custody, clerk protem, James Ramsey, 104-19 197th Street, Hollis, Queens).

51. MIDDLE, 1839-87. Lafayette Place Cor. 4th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-J).

52. WEST FARMS (The Minister, Elders and Deacons of The First Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of West Farms, New York City), 1839--. Fairmount Place and Prospect Ave., Bronx.

Organized 1839 by Classis of New York, outgrowth of Sunday school founded 1838 by group of former West Farms Presbyterian Church members, possessed of letters originally from Fordham Reformed Church (entry # ). Services in Miss MacGregor's School House, East 179th Street to 1840. Frame church, Boston Road and East 179th Street to 1906. Present modified Gothic, brick church and parsonage, dedicated December 16, 1906. Members of dissolved Anderson Memorial Church (entry 130), united with West Farms Church in 1929. First clergyman, Rev. George B. Bourne, 1839-42; ed. Hemerton Sem. London, 1804. Present clergyman, Rev. William E. Phifer, 1931--; ed. Davidson College, N.C., 1896. Union Theological Sem. Richmond, Va., 1903.

(A) West Farms Church Annex, 1932-36. 1627 Williamsbridge Road.

Organized 1932, as The Annex, by a group that had conducted a Sunday school in a store on Morris Park Avenue for a few months in 1929. Services at 1627 Williamsbridge Road, until dedication of church, March 12, 1933. Became the Williamsbridge Road Church (entry 161), in 1936.

Rev. Dr. Daily, Historical Sketch of West Farms Reformed Church, typescript, 1931, 10 pp. Dedication of the West Farms Church Annex, N.Y., Church, 1933, 3 pp.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 1 vol., 1918--. Register: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1843--. Financial: Ledger, 1931--.



53. FOURTH (Fourth Reformed Protestant Dutch Church), 1840-1844. Wallabout, Brooklyn.

Organized 1840 by Rev. John Knox, who served as stated supply until April 1841. Services discontinued 1842. Dissolved by Long Island Classis October 13, 1844. First clergyman, Rev. Peter S. Williamsen, May to October 1841; ed. Princeton Univ., 1824, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1834.

54. SOUTH (South Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of Brooklyn), 1840--. 4th Ave., and 55th St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1840 as the Third of Brooklyn, by members of the First of Brooklyn (entry 6), also known as The Bergen Church. Incorporated August 20, 1840 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 54). Services in frame church, at the northeast corner of 3rd Avenue and 43rd Street to 1863. Location unknown until church at 3rd Avenue and 52nd Street was dedicated in 1869. Present church dedicated 1902. Brick church with a tower over one corner formed by a double gable. First clergyman, Rev. Samuel M. Woodbridge, 1840-50; ed. New York Univ. 1833, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1841, Rutgers Univ. D.D. 1857, LL.D. 1883, Union Col. D.D. 1888. Present clergyman (vacant).

(A) North Church of Gowanus 1842-50. 3rd Ave., between 20th and 21st Sts. Organized 1842, by members of South Church under joint pastorate and consistory which purchased the Fourth Presbyterian Church; dedicated 1842. Became independent as Twelfth Street Church (entry 67) in 1850.

Consistory, Church Directory and Year Book 1933-34, 95th Anniversary Number, N.Y., Church, 1934, loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 4 vols., 1874-90, 1890-1902, 1902-32, 1932--.  
Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1855-1923, marriages, 1857-1911, members, 1841-1926 (also contains some deaths, 1841-1922). Baptisms, 1 vol., 1923--.  
Marriages, 1 vol., 1923-- (1 loose sheet, 1911-23). Members and deaths, 1 vol., 1926--.

55. FLUSHING (The Protestant Reformed Dutch Church of Flushing), 1842--. Bowne St. and Roosevelt Ave., Flushing, Queens.

Organized 1842. Incorporated June 20, 1843 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 40). Services in frame house, on Bridge Street, until the erection of frame church, North Prince Street near Broadway 1844; dedicated 1845. Present church, Byzantine style, white stone trim, dedicated 1891. First clergyman, Rev. William R. Gordon, 1842-49; ed. N.Y. Univ. 1834, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1837, Columbia Univ., S.T.D., 1859. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles Henry Campbell, 1938--; ed. City Col. N.Y. 1915, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1919.

Oliver Ellsworth Cobb, Historical Sketch, sermon, N.Y. Bd. Publ'n of Reformed Churches in America, 1882, 16 pp.

Minutes; Consistory and Elders, 8 vols., 1842-59, 1859-90, 1890-1901, 1901-08, 1908-15, 1915-21, 1921-30, 1930--. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, deaths, members, 1842--; marriages, 1842-1914. Marriages, 1 vol., 1914--.





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56. NORTH CHURCH OF GOWANUS, 1842-52 3rd Ave. between 20th and 21st Sts., Brooklyn. See South Church (entry 54-A).

57. NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND, 1843--.

Organized 1843 by division of Long Island Classis (entry 29). First met at the Reformed Dutch Church in Jamaica. The North Classis consisted of the churches at Jamaica, Newtown, Oyster Bay, North Hempstead, Williamsburgh, Astoria, Flushing. At present the Classis has twenty-eight churches under its jurisdiction, numbering: three in Brooklyn; nineteen in Queens; one in Hicksville, New York; one each in Locust Valley, New Hyde Park, Manhasset, Glen Head, West Sayville, Long Island. First Acting-President, Rev. Garret I. Garretsen 1843-(?) ed. Rutgers Col. 1829. Present President, (vacant).

Minutes: 3 vols., 1843-59, 1859-74, 1874-88, loc. NjNbs. 1888--., loc. Stated Clerk, Rev. Andrew J. Meyer, 205 Strawberry Hill, Stamford, Conn.

58. SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND (The South Classis of Long Island of the Reformed Church in America), 1843--. 1460 East 10th St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1843 by division of the Classis of Long Island (entry 29). Composed of the following Churches: Brooklyn, New Utrecht, Gravesend, Flatbush, Flatlands, New Lots, Central Brooklyn, East New York, South Brooklyn and Fourth Brooklyn. Incorporated May 20th, 1922 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc.). The South Long Island Classis embraces seventeen churches in Brooklyn, two in Queens, and one each in the village of Hempstead and Garden City, Nassau County. Also included under the jurisdiction of the Classis is St. Thomas Church, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands (history of St. Thomas Church by Rev. John Gilmore Addy: in minutes in his possession). First President, Rev. Jacob Brodhead D.D.; ed. Union Col. 1801, Queens Col. 1811. Present President, (vacant).

Minutes: Acts and Proceedings, 5 vols., 1843-63, 1865-78, 1878-92, 1892-98, 1899-1904, Loc. NjNbs. Vol. 6, 1905-11, vol. 7, 1911-18, vol. 8, 1918-32, vol. 9, 1933--., Loc. Stated Clerk, Rev. John Gilmore Addy, 1460 East 10th Street, Brooklyn. Questors records, 1844-72 included in Classis of Long Island Questorate (1831-72), Loc. NjNbs.

59. STANTON STREET (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in Stanton Street in the City of New York), 1843-49. Stanton St. near Forsythe St., Manhattan.

Organized 1843. Incorporated July 3, 1841 (County Register, Rel. Inc., vol 1). The congregation and pastor, formed the Stanton Street Presbyterian Church, Second Presbytery of New York with consent of New York Classis in 1849. First clergyman, Rev. John Lillie, 1843-49; ed. Edinburgh Univ. 1831, D.D. 1855, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1835.

Samuel D. Alexander, History of Presbytery of New York, New York, A.D. F. Randolph & Co. 1887, p 132.

The first of these was the establishment of the first public school in the city, in 1630. This was the first of a long series of schools which have since been founded in the city, and which have played a great part in the education of the people of Boston. The second was the establishment of the first public library in the city, in 1630. This was the first of a long series of libraries which have since been founded in the city, and which have played a great part in the education of the people of Boston. The third was the establishment of the first public hospital in the city, in 1630. This was the first of a long series of hospitals which have since been founded in the city, and which have played a great part in the education of the people of Boston.

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Minutes: Consistory, 1843-49, included in Session Minute Book, 1843-68, of the Stanton Street (later Lexington Avenue) Presbyterian Church. Loc. NNUT.

60. WASHINGTON HEIGHTS (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Washington Heights, Inc.), 1843-68. Amsterdam Ave. and 152nd St., Manhattan.

Organized 1843. Incorporated June 24, 1862 (County Register, Rel. Inc. vol 2, #62). Services in a Church, at Broadway and 155th Street, to 1863. Located at last address until dissolved in 1868. First clergyman, Rev. Charles Whitehead, 1856-62; ed. Dickinson Col. 1823, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1826.

61. MIDDLE (Middle Protestant Reformed Dutch Church), 1846-87. Harrison St., cor., Tompkins Place, Brooklyn.

Organized 1846. Incorporated December 29, 1846 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 97). Services in a room at Smith and Butler Streets to 1847. Brick church at Court and Butler Streets to 1855. Last church occupied until congregation dissolved in 1887. First clergyman, Rev. Peter D. Oakey, 1847-49; ed. Rutgers Col. 1841, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1844.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1874-87. Elders, 2 vols., 1846-70, 1870-87. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, 2 vols., 1846-71, 1870-87. Deaths, 1 vol., 1870-87. Loc. NjNbS.

62. MOUNT PLEASANT (Mount Pleasant Protestant Reformed Dutch Church), 1846-67, 158 E. 50th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1846. Services in church at above address to 1867, when dissolved. First clergyman, Rev. Philip Milledoler Brett, 1846-51; ed. Rutgers Col., 1834, D.D. 1858, New Brunswick Theological Sem., 1838.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1846-66. Registers: Baptisms, 1 vol., 1846-66. Marriages, 1 vol., 1864-67. Members, 2 vols., 1846-51 (list of members under Rev. Brett), 1846-67. Subscription list for building church, dated January 28, 1859. Loc. NjNbS.

63. BEDFORD (Bedford Reformed Protestant Dutch Church), 1847-1904. Bedford Ave. and Madison St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1847 as the Bedford Protestant Reformed Dutch Church, incorporated September 4, 1848 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 114). Reorganized and incorporated as the East Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of Brooklyn, January 13, 1855 (ibid, vol 1, p 191). Reorganized under supervision of the South Classis of Long Island (entry 58) December 27, 1876, and incorporated March 29, 1877 (ibid, vol 2, p 11). Services on Ormond Place until erection of church at Washington and Gates Avenues in 1848, commonly known as the Washington Avenue Church to 1851. Occupied church on Bedford Avenue near Jefferson Street to 1854; then in church at last address until dissolved in 1904. First clergyman, Rev.





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Anthony Elmendorf, 1848-51; ed. Rutgers Col. 1836, D.D. 1860, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1839.

Consistory, Anniversary and Festival, N.Y., Baker and Godwin, 1871, 19 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1876-95. Elders, 1 vol., 1853-76. Registers: Members, 1853-73, 1876-95. Baptisms, 1854-71, 1877-92. Marriages, 1854-70, 1877-92. Elders, 1876-90. Deacons, 1876-89. Burials, 1878-93. Dismissions, 1876-1912. Financial: Treas. Cash Books, 1884-96. Church offerings, 2 vols., 1885-95. Other records: 8 packages misc. papers inc. Classis printed minutes, vouchers, treas. reports. Minutes Women's Missionary Soc. 1884-97. Minutes Sunday School Teachers Ass'n., 1882-5. Loc. NjNbs.

64. KENT STREET (Reformed Dutch Church at Greenpoint), 1848--. 149 Kent St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1848 as the Greenpoint Reformed Church, with the aid of the First of Williamsburg (entry 39). Incorporated May 18, 1850 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1 p 131). Pre-organization services in home of Mr. Tiebout, on Franklin Street, from 1847 to erection of church on Java Street, in 1848. Present church, meeting house style, red brick construction, dedicated 1859. Present name adopted 1919. First clergyman, Rev. John W. Ward, 1848-54, ed. Princeton Univ. 1821, Princeton Theological Sem. 1823. Present clergyman, Rev. S.C. Benny Benson, 1925--; ed. Columbia Univ. 1907, Oskaloosa Col. 1922.

84th Anniversary Year Book and Directory, Brooklyn, Church, 1932, 24 pp. 85th Jubilee Souvenir Year Book and Directory, Brooklyn, Church, 1933, 2 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 3 vols., 1848-81, 1881-1917, 1919--. Elders: 3 vols., 1855-73, 1873-90, 1890-1913. Registers: Vol. 1, baptisms, 1850-88, marriages, 1849-88, members, 1848-88. Vol. 2, baptisms, 1887-1925, marriages, 1888-1912, members, 1888-1925. Vol. 3, baptisms, marriages, members, 1925--.

65. SECOND GERMAN (Second German Evangelical Mission), 1848-52. Grand St. and East Broadway, Manhattan.

Organized 1848 by the City Mission Society of the Dutch Reformed Church. Also known as Second German Mission Church. Services in hall at above address. The Classis of New York (entry 22) dismissed the congregation and pastor in a body to the Presbytery of New York to form the Second German Presbyterian Church in Madison Street in 1852. First clergyman, Rev. Frederick Steins, 1848-52.

Minutes: Consistory, 1848-52 (contains baptisms, marriages, 1848-60; includes records 1852-60 of Second German Presbyterian Church in Madison Street). Records in English and German. Loc. NTUT.



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Entry 66-68

66. HUGUENOT (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the Huguenots, Westfield, Staten Island), 1849--. Amboy Rd. and Huguenot Ave., Huguenot Park, Richmond.

Organized 1849 by local residents who took their letters from the Richmond Church (entry 81). Worshipped in Westfield school house until 1851. Incorporated June 30, 1851 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 23, #434). Frame church erected on present site in 1851, gift of Hon. Benjamin P. Prall, Assemblyman, New York Legislature, and first Church Trustee. It was commonly known as the Brown Church, and destroyed by fire 1918. Portable frame chapel, loaned by Home Mission Board, pitched on present site, used to 1924. Present church rural architecture with Dutch and Gothic influence, of local multi-colored soapstone construction, dedicated May 18, 1924. First clergyman, Rev. James A.M. LaTourette, 1851-54; ed. New York Univ. 1848. Present clergyman, Rev. Winfield Burggraaf, 1939--; ed. Hope Col. 1922, Western Theological Sem. 1925, Free Univ., Amsterdam, 1928.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1849-80, 1902-35, looseleaf 1935--.  
Register 1 vol., baptisms, 1851-- (hiatus 1875-1915), marriages, 1855--,  
members, deaths, 1849--.

67. TWELFTH STREET (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Brooklyn, Gowanus), 1850--. 12th St. between 4th and 5th Aves., Brooklyn.

Organized 1850 succeeding the North Church of Gowanus (entry 54-A). Services in church on 13th Street East of 3rd Avenue to 1869. Present church modified Romanesque architecture, brick construction, dedicated 1870, and present name assumed. First clergyman, Rev. Nehemiah P. Pierce, 1851-75; ed. Amherst Col. 1842, Union Theological Sem. 1845. Present clergyman, Rev. Thomas W. Davidson, 1928--; ed. Methodist Col. Belfast, Ireland, 1889, Central Col., Iowa, 1923.

Minutes: Consistory, 3 vols., 1849-98, 1899-1918, 1918--. Elders, 4 vols., 1849-67, 1849-1914 (overlap-copied from earlier vol.) 1914-16, 1920--.  
Registers: 2 vols., elders, deacons, communicants, 1904-15, 1916--, baptisms, 1904-15. 1 vol., marriages, 1916--, deaths, 1924--. Note book, marriages, 1911-37. Financial: Treas. accts. 7 vols., 1887-8, 1888-97, 1895-7, 1898-1906, 1907-9, 1909-15, 1914-18. Receipts, 10 vols., 1921-22, 1922, 1923-24, 1924-27, 1927-29, 1929-31, 1931-33, 1933-35, 1935-38, 1938--. Other records: Christian Endeavor, members, 2 vols., 1896-99, 1900-01, treas. accts., 3 vols., 1893-97, 1895-97, 1900--. Sunday school members, dues, 1 vol., 1878-1930. Women's Missionary Society members, 1 vol., 1907-31, treas. accts, 1 vol., 1900-24. Mens League, minutes, 1 vol., 1903-09. 1 file box, programs, historical data, clippings, 1925--.

68. WEST (West Protestant Reformed Dutch Church), 1850-59. 6th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1850. Commonly known as The Sixth Avenue Church. United with the Seventh Avenue Church to form the Union Church (entries 34, 92), 1859. First clergyman, Rev. Mr. J.A. Cary, 1851-52; ed. New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1851.



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Reformed Church in America

Entry 69-70

69. CHURCH ON THE HEIGHTS (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church on the Heights), 1851-1931. Pierrepont St. and Monroe Pl., Brooklyn.

Organized 1851 as the Reformed Church at Brooklyn Heights, succeeding the Central Church (entry 46). Incorporated July 17, 1852 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 155). Georgian church dedicated 1851. 40 members dismissed to form Bergen Hill Church (entry 91), in 1859. Consolidated with First of Brooklyn (entry 6), 1931. First clergyman, Rev. George W. Bethune, 1851-59; ed. Columbia Col. 1819, Dartmouth Col. 1823, Princeton Theological Sem. 1826.

(A) Bethany Chapel, 1869-1902. Hudson Ave. near Myrtle Ave. Organized by merger of the Myrtle Avenue Mission, founded 1868, and the Bethesda Mission, founded 1854. Brick church, at above address, dedicated in May 1870. Bethany Chapel merged with North Church to form Bethany Church (entries 72, 140), in 1902. First clergyman, Rev. Alfred Edwards Meyers, 1870-71; ed. Williams Col. 1866, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1867, Princeton Theological Sem. 1869, Union Theological Sem. 1870.

George W. Bethune, Historical Sketch, Minute Book 1851-69. Papers Relating to the Separation of Rev. Bethune, N.Y., John Prall, 1863, 40 pp. David Inglis, Historical Sermon, N.Y., Church, 1876. Manual Reformed Church on the Heights, N.Y., Church, 1901. Loc. First of Brooklyn, Carroll St. and 7th Ave.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1851-69, 1926-32. Elders, 1 vol., 1861-1930. Registers: 1 vol., communicants, 1851-1930 (including some dismissions, some deaths), baptisms, 1851-1916. Index to register, 1 vol., 1993. Financial: Cash book, 1 vol., 1869-84. Pewholders, 1851-67. Treas. Accts. 1 vol., 1851-69. Other records: Bethany Chapel, 1 vol., minutes of the Joint Committee on Supply 1875-1900. Loc. First of Brooklyn Church, Carroll St. and 7th Ave., Bklyn.

70. LIVINGSTON (The Livingston Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the City of New York), 1851-59. 8th Ave. and 33rd St., Manhattan.

Organized 1851 by the City Missionary Society, named in honor of Rev. John H. Livingston, minister (1770-1810) of the Collegiate Church (entry 1). Services in Broadway Hall, at Broadway and 6th Avenue until removed to the Institution for the Blind, 9th Avenue and 33rd Street in 1852. Erected frame church, on 9th Avenue near 33rd Street in 1853; occupied to 1855. Services in Continental Hall, later at 9th Avenue and 29th Street to 1856. Located at above address until united with the Thirty-fourth Street Church (entry 35), in 1859. First clergyman, Rev. Aaron Lloyd, 1851-53; ed. Rutgers Col. 1842, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1845.

Church, "History of Livingston Church", Jubilee of Thirty-fourth Street Church, N.Y., Consistory, 1874, pp 35-42. Loc. NN.



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Entry 71-73

71. MOTT HAVEN (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Mott Haven), 1851--. 348 E. 146th St., Bronx.

Organized 1851. The outgrowth of services held in the Mott Haven Village school, on what is now Courtlandt Avenue, from 1850. Later met in Mott Haven Town Hall to 1854. Present church, Third Avenue and 146th Street, dedicated in 1854; commonly known as the Old Stone Church, and St. Paul's Church. Church relocated, at above address 1914, Byzantine architecture, graystone construction. Cornerstone inscribed: "erected 1852 relocated 1914". Church flanked on one side by frame parsonage erected in 1894, and on the other by a red brick parish house erected in 1926. First clergyman, Rev. William Theodore Van Doran, 1852-53; ed. Rutgers Col. 1837, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1840, Chaplain 7th Missouri Cavalry, 1861-62. Present clergyman, Rev. Frederick D. Bittenbaum, 1929--; ed. Columbia Univ. 1917, West Virginia Wesleyan, 1921, Drew Univ. 1924.

Oscar M. Voorhees, Diamond Jubilee, N.Y., Church, 1926. Church, Mott Haven Reformed Church Eighty-fifth Anniversary, N.Y., Consistory, 1936, 30 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 4 vols., 1851--. Elders, 1 vol., 1851--.  
Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 3 vols., 1851-1900, 1900-26, 1927--.

72. NORTH (North Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in the City of Brooklyn), 1851-1902. 180 Clermont Ave., Brooklyn.

Organized 1851. Incorporated May 4, 1852 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 151). Services in the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Messiah Chapel, on Adelphi Street, to 1855. First church, on Clermont Avenue, dedicated December 27, 1855. Parsonage erected 1868. Erected last church, same site, in 1870; Byzantine with octagonal turrets, of brick and stone construction. Consolidated with Bethany Chapel to form Bethany Church (entries 69-A, 139), in 1902. First clergyman, Rev. Anthony Elmendorf, 1851-55; ed. Rutgers Col., 1863, D.D. 1860, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1839.

Anthony Elmendorf, Valedictory Sermon, N.Y., John W. Amerman, 1865, 25 pp. Loc. NN.

73. SOUTH BUSHWICK (The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of South Bushwick), 1851--. Bushwick Ave. and Himrod St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1851 as the Second Reformed Dutch Church of South Bushwick, with the aid of Bushwick and First of Williamsburg Churches (entries 4, 39). Incorporated November 19, 1851 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1, p 148). Services in the Cook Street Methodist Episcopal Church to 1853, when Colonial style, frame church was dedicated; commonly known as the White Church. Frame Colonial parsonage adjoining church, erected in 1868. First clergyman, Rev. John S. Himrod, 1851-59; ed. Rutgers Col. 1839, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1842. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles E. Bloodgood, 1938--; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1923.





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Entry 73-75

Church, Manual 1851-73 South Bushwick, N.Y., Consistory, 1873.  
Andrew J. Meyer, "Our Diamond Jubilee", Brooklyn Daily Press, Nov. 15, 1926.

Minutes: Consistory, 5 vols., 1851-60 (includes marriages, 1852-59, list of elders), 1860-83, 1883-1915, 1915-35, 1935--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 4 vols., 1851-1900, 1901-17, 1917-38, 1938--. Other records: Sunday school, 1868-97. Ladies Missionary Society, treas. accts. 3 vols., 1914-17, 1921-30, 1931-33. Christian Endeavor, 1 vol., 1887. Brotherhood, minutes and roll, 2 vols., 1911-16, 1917-26. 3 scrapbooks (includes newspaper clippings, programs, photos, manuals, services) 1875-1921, 1921-33, 1934--. 1 envelope entitled (photographs) "Our Boys in War" and "Army and Navy Members of Sunday school and Church in the World War".

74. STAPLETON (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Stapleton), 1851-68. Brownell St., Stapleton, Richmond.

Organized 1851 out of a Sunday School founded by the Brighton Heights Church (entry 33), in 1848. Erected church, at above address, in 1852, enlarged in 1854. Gore Street Sunday School built in 1856. United with First Presbyterian Church of Clifton to form First Presbyterian Church of Edgewater in 1863. First clergyman, Rev. Alexander Ramsey Thompson, 1851-59; ed. N.Y. Univ. 1838 and 1842, Rutgers Col. 1840.

75. NEW BROOKLYN (German Reformed Protestant Dutch of New Brooklyn), 1852--. 1064 Herkimer St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1852. It was the first Reformed Church established for Germans living in Brooklyn. Incorporated April 9, 1853 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Commonly known as The Herkimer Street German Reformed Church. Services in a private dwelling, 194 Chauncey Street, until frame church on present site was dedicated in 1854. Present church, Gothic architecture, of brick construction, dedicated 1890. German services gave way to English in 1927. Aided in founding Flatbush Second in 1874, Canarsie Church in 1876, and Ocean Hill Church in 1885 (entries 109, 112, 117). First clergyman, Rev. John Conrad Dickhaut, 1854-66; ed. under Dr. John C. Guldin of N.Y.C. Present clergyman, Rev. Thomas Ten Hoeve, 1933--; ed. Hope Col. 1927.

Rev. Frederick C. Erhardt, 50th Anniversary Directory New Brooklyn Church, Historical Sketch (in German), N.Y., Church, 1912. Rev. Thomas Ten Hoeve, 75th Anniversary Directory New Brooklyn Church, N.Y., Church, 1937.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 5 vols., 1852-- (includes membership, 1888--; written partly in German 1865-80). Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, marriages, members, burials, 1852-99 (written in German). Burials, 1 vol., 1888--. Baptisms, 2 vols., 1888--. Marriages, 2 vols., 1888--. Card index of current membership. Financial: 1 vol., treas. accts. 1918--.

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Entry 76-80

76. THIRD GERMAN EVANGELICAL (Third German Reformed Protestant Dutch Church), 1852-67. 1 St. Luke's Pl., Manhattan.

Organized 1852. Services on Forsythe Street to 1855; 104 Greenwich Street to 1858; 18 Renwick Street to 1861; 33 Grove Street to 1863. Removed to last address in 1864. Merged with the German Church (entry 20), in 1867. First clergyman, Rev. John Conrad Dickhaut, 1854-55; ed. under Dr. John C. Guldin of N.Y.C.

77. GERMAN HARLEM (German Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Haerlaem), 1853-1862. 127th St. near 4th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1853. Incorporated June 27, 1853 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 2, #183). Became St. Paul's Protestant Episcopal Church 1862 (now St. John's Lutheran Church, 217 East 119th Street). First clergyman, Rev. H. Bielfield, 1855; ed. Middlebury Col. 1821, Andover Sem. 1825.

78. GERMAN EVANGELICAL (Fourth German Evangelical Reformed Church), 1854-66. Manhattan.

Organized 1854 by group withdrawing from German Church (entry 20). Services held in private homes until 1866, when congregation disbanded. First clergyman, John S. Ebaugh, 1854-61.

79. MARBLE CHURCH, 1854--. 5th Ave. and 29th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-K).

80. MELROSE (The German Dutch Reformed Church), 1854--. 157th St. and Elton Ave., Bronx.

Organized 1854. Commonly known as the Melrose Church. Services in the home of Mr. Kreenke on Finlay Street, until frame church at 729 Washington Avenue was erected in 1856. Present church dedicated 1879. Plain red brick church, with inscription on front "Erbaut 1878". Frame parsonage adjoins church on Elton Avenue. First clergyman, Rev. Ernest Schroeffer, 1854-61. Present clergyman, Rev. Charles S. Pieringer, 1937--; ed. Basle Mission School Switzerland. Bethel Theological Sem. Germany 1917.

Church, Souvenir Program Eighty-third Anniversary Concert of the Melrose Reformed Church, historical sketch included, N.Y., Consistory, 1937, p 2. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 4 vols., 1854-- (custody Mr. William Steifel, 1119 Clay Ave., Bx). Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths (includes historical sketch), 2 vols., 1854-91, 1892--.





Reformed Church in America

Entry 81-83

81. RICHMOND (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Staten Island), 1854-  
86. Richmond Village, Richmond.

Organized 1854 having previously existed as branch of Port Richmond Church (entry 12-A). Services in church at Richmond Village until disbanded 1886. First clergyman, Rev. Thomas Ruggles Gold Peck, 1854-59; ed. Yale Col. 1848, Princeton Sem. and Union Sem., 1851.

Tercentenary Studies, Reformed Church in America, N.Y., Collegiate Church, 1928, pp 79-91. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1853-86 (includes spiritual consistory, 1859-81). Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1854-80, marriages, 1854-76, deaths, 1854-57, members, 1854-80 (includes annual reports, attendance records of Sunday School and Gifford's Lane and Four Corners. Weather records, church attendance, 1854-59. Other organization records, 1854-70). Financial: Treas. recs., disbursements, collections, parsonage bldg. fund, 1 vol., 1854-80. Loc. NjNBs.

82. SECOND OF ASTORIA (German Reformed Protestant Church of Astoria), 1854--. 30-59 31st St., Astoria, Queens.

Organized 1854 with aid of Newtown First (entry 19). Services in Astoria Court House on Broadway to 1856. Lapsed 1856-63. Met in lecture room, on Remsen Street to 1867. Frame church occupied in 1867; dedicated June 23, 1869; remodeled and veneered with red brick 1936. Frame parsonage adjoining church, erected 1870. First clergyman, Rev. Charles D.F. Steinfuhrer, 1867-1922; ed. Union Col. 1864, D.D. 1896, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1867, Present clergyman, Rev. George D. Geres, 1929--; ed. Missionary Training Institute, Nyack, N.Y.

Charles D.F. Steinfuhrer, "Historical Sketch of the Second of Astoria Reformed Church", Daily Star, Long Island City, July 19, 1922. Church, 75th Anniversary of the Second of Astoria Reformed Church, Long Island City, John W. Ward Inc., 1929. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 4 vols., 1854-92, 1892-1918, 1918-23, 1923--. Elders, 2 vols., 1878-1929, 1929--. Registers: 9 vols., baptisms, 1867-77, 1877-1930, 1931--. Marriages, 1867-84, 1884-1918, 1919-29, 1930--. Members, 1868-1924, 1931--. Personal record book of first clergyman, chiefly Sunday School records, 1880-1906.

83. EAST WILLIAMSBURGH (East Williamsburgh Protestant Reformed Dutch Church), 1855-1912. New Jersey Ave., Maspeth, Queens.

Organized 1855 with the aid of Newtown First (entry 19). Became extinct in 1912. First clergyman, Rev. John McC. Holmes, 1857-59; ed. Williams Col. 1853, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1857.



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Entry 84-88

84. LEE AVENUE (Lee Avenue Protestant and Reformed Dutch Church), 1855-71. Lee Ave., Brooklyn.

Organized 1855. It was outgrowth of the Lee Avenue Sunday school, founded in 1853 with the aid of the First of Williamsburgh Church (entry 39). Services in frame chapel built by Sunday school on land, at above address, donated by Mr. Barnet Johnson until frame church on same site, was erected in 1860. Maintained the North Sixth Street Mission in 1858. Lee Avenue Church united with Central Congregational Church in 1871. First clergyman, Rev. W. Hallaway, 1855-59; ed. Rutgers Col. 1839, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1842.

85. NEWTOWN SECOND (German Second Protestant Dutch Reformed Church of Newtown Long Island), 1855--. 52nd and Justice Aves., Elmhurst, Queens.

Organized 1855, assisted by congregation of Newtown First (entry 19). Incorporated August 17, 1863 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 1, p 122). Frame church, Baxter Avenue to 1892; frame church present site to 1914, destroyed by fire. Present brick church dedicated 1915. First clergyman, Rev. John Bochrer, 1855-56. Present clergyman, Rev. Frank L.F. Donaldson.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1911--, custody Hilliard Gautier, Sec'y, 86-10 - 55th Road, Elmhurst, L.I. Elders, 1 vol., 1916--. Registers: Baptisms, 2 vols., 1856-1917, 1918--. Marriages, 2 vols., 1856-1908, 1918--. Deaths, 2 vols., 1892-1917, 1918--. Members, 1 vol., 1923--. Custody, Gustavo Heeren, senior elder, 88-13 St. James Place, Elmhurst, Queens.

86. TOTTEENVILLE (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church at Tottenville), 1855-58. Tottenville, Richmond.

Organized 1855. Defunct 1858. Served by Stated Supplies and last listed in General Synod Minutes 1858.

87. CENTRAL (Central Reformed Protestant Church), 1856-61. 9th St. between 4th Ave. and Broadway, Manhattan.

Organized 1856. Existed separately as Ninth Street Church, 1831-36; an affiliate of Collegiate Church, 1836-55 (entries 42, 1-I). Occupied brick church erected 1837 by Ninth Street Church. First clergyman, Rev. Abraham B. Van Zant, 1856-59; ed. Union Col., 1840, Princeton Sem., 1842, Hamden Sidney Col. Va. D.D. 1853, Col. of New Jersey, LL.D., 1873.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1856-60 (contains with other items, resolution adopted March 16, 1859 suspending Mr. George H. and Mrs. Anna May Boeck, members, for "Keeping open their store on the Sabbath Day", to which they confessed). Membership, 1 vol., 1856-59. Loc. NjNbs.

88. SEVENTH AVENUE (Seventh Avenue German Reformed Church), 1857-59. 7th Ave., near 12th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1857. Disbanded 1859. Served by Stated Supply.



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Reformed Church in America

Entry 89-92

89. FOURTH GERMAN (Fourth German Reformed Protestant Dutch Church),  
1858-1919. 410 West 45th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1854. Incorporated April 8, 1870 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 5, #150). Services at 252 West 40th Street to 1859; 248 West 35th Street to 1861; 143 West 31st Street to 1862, then at last location to dissolution 1919. First clergyman, Rev. John Oerter, 1858-1915; ed. New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1856.

90. QUEENS VILLAGE (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Queens), 1858--.  
Jamaica Ave. and Springfield Blvd., Queens Village, Queens.

Organized 1858 by local residents of different denominations then worshipping in the Methodist Chapel in Brushville (now Bellaire), services held there to 1859. Present church, Colonial architecture, frame construction, dedicated in 1859; plain brick Sunday school hall, adjoining, erected in 1929. First clergyman, Rev. John W. Hammond, 1859-63; ed. New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1848. Present clergyman, Rev. D. Everett Lyon, 1918--; ed. Princeton Univ.

Church, 1933 Our Seventy-fifth Anniversary, Queens, Edmund Jordan,  
1933, 24 pp. Loc. NN.

Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1859--, marriages, 1860--, members and confirmations, 1858--, deaths, 1859-1920. Card index of members, 1920--.

91. BERGEN HILL (Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Bergen Hill), 1859-  
61. Brooklyn.

Organized 1859 with the aid of the Church on the Heights (entry 69). Declared defunct in 1861. First clergyman, Rev. Charles Washington Baird, 1860-61; ed. N.Y. Univ. 1848, D.D. 1876, Union Theological Sem. 1852.

92. UNION CHURCH (Union Reformed Protestant Dutch Church), 1859-1900.  
25 6th Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1859 through union of Seventh Avenue and West Churches (entries, 34,63). Incorporated May 7, 1866 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 3, #673). Services in the former West Church. Commonly known as the Union Church at Sixth Avenue. Dissolved in 1900. First clergyman, Rev. Jacob C. Dutcher, 1859-63; ed. Rutgers Col. 1843, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1846.

Minutes: Spiritual Consistory, 1 vol., 1859-94. Consistory, 1 vol., 1878-99. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1859-90, marriages, 1859-79, members, 1859-91, elders, 1862-89, deacons, 1862-87, pastors, 1864-88. Financial: Treas. cash book, 1871-92. Loc. NjNbS.



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Entry 93-98

93. PROSPECT HILL (Prospect Hill Reformed Dutch Church), 1860-1910.  
1451 Lexington Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1860. Incorporated November 15, 1860 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 2, #93). Services on 3rd Avenue near 87th Street to 1869; 85th Street near 2nd Avenue to 1886; Park Avenue and 87th Street to 1903; 1153 Park Avenue until removed to last address in 1906. Merged with the South Church (entry 28), in 1910. First clergyman, Rev. Daniel McLaren Quackenbush, 1861-1900; ed. Columbia Univ. 1836, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1839, N.Y. Univ., D.D. 1863.

Register: 1 vol., baptisms, 1860-1905, marriages, 1861-98, members, 1860-1910. Loc. NjNbS.

94. TOMPKINSVILLE GERMAN (German Reformed Protestant Dutch Church at Tompkinsville), 1860-62. Tompkinsville, Richmond.

Organized 1860. Disbanded in 1862. First clergyman, Rev. John Wenisch, S.S. 1861.

95. DE WITT CHAPEL, 1861-95. 160 West 29th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church, (entry 1-Q).

96. NORTH TRINITY (North Trinity Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of New York), 1861-62. Broadway and 34th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1861. Disbanded in 1862. Served by Stated Supply.

97. HARLEM LANE (The Saint Paul Reformed Church Society of Harlem Lane), 1865-Defunct. Harlem Lane, Manhattan.

Organized January 2, 1865. Incorporated January 23, 1865 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 2, #979). Corporate papers state: "a meeting was held for the elections of nine discreet persons to take charge of the estate and property belonging thereto...which meeting was held at the place where such Society did statedly attend for divine worship. That public notice was given to the congregation by the Minister". Witnessed by trustees, August Dempewolf and Julius Bergman. Other information not available.

98. HOLLAND (Holland Reformed Church of City of New York), 1866-97. 279 West 11th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1866. Incorporated January 14, 1876 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 6, #150). Services in the lecture room of the various buildings of the Collegiate Church (entry 1), to 1868; 163 West 4th Street, and later 245 West 20th Street to 1871; 232 8th Avenue to 1872. At above address until dissolved in 1897. Madison Avenue Church (entry 26), records show subscriptions taken up for Holland Church. First clergyman, Rev. Henry B. Utterwick, 1866-69; ed. Rutgers Col. 1862, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1866,



AND OF THE ASSOCIATION OF THE PHYSICIANS OF THE SAME SOCIETY

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Entry 39-106

99. KNOX MEMORIAL CHAPEL, 1866--. 405 West 41st St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-R).

100. MANOR CHAPEL, 1866-1923. 350 West 26th St., Manhattan. See South Church (entry 23-A).

101. ST. PETER'S (German Evangelical Church of St. Peter's), 1866-1919. Union Ave. and Scholes St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1866 when The Independent German Lutheran Church of St. Peter's, founded in 1853, became a Reformed Church. Services in frame church at above address, to 1881; then, red brick Gothic church on same site. Incorporated March 27, 1868 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc.). Started the Bushwick German Mission which became the Church of Jesus (entry 124), in 1891. St. Peter's merged with the Avenue B Church, Manhattan, to become Trinity Church, Brooklyn (entries 108,152), in 1919. First clergyman, Rev. John Martin Wagner, 1867-86; ed. Putgers Col. 1853, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1856.

Minutes: Elders, 1 vol., 1867-1919. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, marriages, 1853-55, funerals, 1853-56. 1 vol., baptisms, 1855-69, marriages, 1855-73, funerals, 1856-79. Funerals, 1 vol., 1879-1900. Baptisms, 3 vols., 1869-81, 1881-1915, 1915-19. Marriages, 1 vol., 1874-95. 1 vol., marriages, 1895-1918, funerals, 1900-19. Financial: Fin. Secy. 4 vols., 1875-76, 1890-87, 1887-1914, 1914-19. Treas. accts., 3 vols., 1889-99, 1899-1917, 1917-19. Rec. Secy. 4 vols., 1856-66, 1866-89, 1889-1911, 1911-19. Rec. Secy. 2 vols., 1885-1914, 1914-19; Treas. accts., 1 vol., 1876-1919. Other records: Ladies Aid Rec. Secy. 4 vols., 1868-80, 1880-98, 1898-1917, 1918-19; Secy. and Treas. 2 vols., 1885-1901, 1905-19. In custody Rev. George G. Wacker, Trinity Church, Prospect Ave. and Palmetto St., Ridgewood, Bklyn.

102. BETHANY CHAPEL, 1869-1902. Hudson Ave. near Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn. See Church on the Heights (entry 69-A).

103. NORTH CHURCH CHAPEL, 1869--. 113 Fulton St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-S).

104. SEVENTH AVENUE CHAPEL, 1869-85. 7th Ave. and 54th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-T).

105. GRACE CHAPEL, 1871-1903. Flatbush Ave. and Grant, Brooklyn. See Flatbush Church (entry 2-A).

106. COLLEGE POINT (First Reformed Church of College Point), 1872--. 118-07 14th Ave., College Point, Queens.

Organized 1872. Church and parsonage dedicated 1873; chapel erected 1881; Gothic architecture, frame construction. Incorporated October 22, 1874 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 1, p 240). First clergyman, Rev. Mr. E.S.



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Fairchild, 1876-78; ed. Amherst Col. 1856, Andover Sem. 1859. Present clergyman, Rev. Jacob John Sessler, 1934--; ed. Central Col. Pella, Iowa 1925, Rutgers Univ. 1928, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1928, Columbia Univ. 1933.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 6 vols., 1872-83, 1884-93, 1893-1907, 1907-16, 1916-32, 1932--. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1872--. Last item custody Mr. E. A. Platt, 15-16 122nd St., College Point, Queens.

107. ST. NICHOLAS, 1872--. 5th Ave. and 48th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-L).

108. AVENUE B (Avenue B Reformed Protestant Dutch Church), 1874-1919. Ave. B and 5th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1874 by John W. Miller, former elder of the German Evangelical Church (entry 48). Services in brick meeting-house at above address. Merged with St. Peters to become Trinity Church, Brooklyn (entries 101, 152), in 1919. First clergyman, Rev. Jacob Schlegel, 1874-1909.

Minutes: Elders, 3 vols., 1874-98, 1898-1901, 1913-19. Rec. Secy. 2 vols., 1874-90, 1902-19. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1874-79, marriages, 1874-79. 1 vol., baptisms, funerals, 1877-84, marriages, 1877-84. Baptisms, marriages, funerals, 4 vols., 1885-89, 1890-96, 1896-1903, 1904-18. Financial: Treas. accts., 2 vols., 1874-90, 1902-19. Other records: Sunday School Rec. Secy. 2 vols., 1874-94, 1894-1916. Ladies Aid Rec. Secy. 2 vols., 1907-11, 1911-19. Fin. Secy. and Treas. 1 vol., 1907-19. Custody Rev. George G. Wacker, Trinity Church, Prospect Ave. and Palmetto St., Ridgewood, Brooklyn.

109. FLATBUSH SECOND (Second Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Flatbush), 1874--. 2164 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn.

Organized 1874 by Rev. Charles F. Suckow, pastor of New Brooklyn Church (entry 75), for German members living in Flatbush. Incorporated June 28, 1875 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Services in frame church, Church and Bedford Avenues, to 1929. Present church dedicated 1930. Tudor architecture, brick construction. First clergyman, Rev. Henry A. Friedel, 1875-87; ed. Newark Theological Sem. Bloomfield, N.J. Present clergyman, Rev. Henry J. Wahl, 1918--; ed. Newark Theological Sem.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 3 vols., 1875-1905, 1905-21, 1921--. Registers: 2 vols., baptisms, marriages, members, burials, 1875-1921, 1921--.

110. UNION OF HIGHBRIDGE (Union Reformed Church of Highbridge), 1874--. 1272 Ogden Ave., Bronx.

Organized 1874 out of Union Sunday School of Highbridgeville, organized 1860. Incorporated with Sunday School July 24, 1874 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 6, #356). Chapel erected 1860, by the Sunday School, was used for services until 1888, when the present church was dedicated. Byzantine and Romanesque architecture, domestic stone. Red brick church





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house at rear of church. Served by stated supply until 1884. First clergyman, Rev. Daniel H. Martin 1884-90; ed. Col. City of N.Y., 1881, Union Theological Sem. 1884. Present clergyman, Rev. Daniel C. Verwey, 1916--; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1905, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1908.

Church, Jubilee Year 1860-1910, N.Y., Consistory, 1910. Church, Year books 1889, 1893, 1902, 1926, N.Y., Church. Loc. at church.

Minutes: Consistory, 3 vols., 1874-1916, 1916-23, 1923-- (custody Robert Martin, 2285 Sedgwick Ave. Bx). Consistory and Elders, 1 vol., 1874-93. Elders, 3 vols., 1874-93, 1893-1937, 1937-- (custody Dr. Turner, 1081 Woodycrest Ave. Bx). . . . Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1866-- , members, 1874-- , deaths, 1868-- , marriages, 1880. Financial records: Treas. Accts. 5 vols., 1874-86, 1904-12, 1907-16 (1908-12 transcribed from vol. 2) 1916-20, 1921-23. Gen. Acc't. Books, consolidated reports on organizations 1904-08, 1908-16. Ledger, 1916-18. Building fund, 1881-92. 2 Note books 1886-90, 1893-95. Sunday School: consistory, 1 vol., 1865-73. Trustees, 2 vols., 1865-74 (contains accts. preliminary to church organization). Sunday School Union, 1874-1911. Attendance, 4 vols., 1915-24, 1921-22, 1923-34, 1934-- . Treas. report, 1866-74. Subscription to building fund, 1885-88. Other records: Womens Foreign Missionary Soc. minutes, 5 vols., 1879-38, 1889-95, 1896-1904, 1905-15, 1915-16. Women's Domestic Missionary Soc. 2 vols., 1892-1904, 1904-14. Kings Daughter's Circle, 12 note books, 1893, 1896-97, 1897-98, 1898-1900, 1900-01, 1901-02, 1901-05, 1905-06, 1908-09, 1909-17, 1913-14, 1914-17. Treas. book, and list of members, 1 vol., 1892-1917. Women's Aid Society, 2 note books, 1913-14, 1914-24. Christian Endeavor, 1 vol., 1902-08. Junior Christian Endeavor, 2 vols., 1906-07, 1912-17. Women's Employment Ass'n, 1 vol., 1887-1906. Men's Club, 1 vol., Nov.-Dec. 1926. Jr. Brotherhood, 1 vol., 1903-17. Tau Beta Kappa Society, 5 vols., 1915-19, 1919-23, 1923-27, 1927-28, 1929.

111. FIRST OF LONG ISLAND CITY (First Protestant Reformed Dutch Church of Long Island City), 1875-- . 40-09 29th St., Long Island City, Queens.

Organized 1875, with aid of Newtown First (entry 19), out of Sunday school services held on Van Alst, Paynter and De Bevoise farms. Colonial frame church dedicated April 12, 1875. Frame parsonage adjoins church. First clergyman, Rev. William D. Perry, 1875; ed. Amherst Col. 1870, Union Theological Sem. 1874. Present clergyman, Rev. John C. Van Dyk, 1937-- ; ed. Hope Col. Holland, Mich., New Brunswick Theological Sem.

Alexander Shaw, "Quarter Centennial of the First Reformed Church of Long Island City", in Christian Intelligencer, Feb. 3, 1900. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Clerk's, 1 vol., 1875-77 (duplicate, original lost). Consistory, 3 vols., 1877-86, 1895-1907, 1929-- , custody clerk, Mr. George Cole, 3636 31st St., Long Island City, Queens. Consistory and Elders, 1 vol., 1886-1903. Elders, 2 vols., 1895-1903, 1903-- . Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1885-1916, marriages, 1885-1902, members, 1875-1916. 1 vol., baptisms, marriages, members, 1919-- . Financial: Treas. accts., 1890-1907, 1907-- .



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112. CANARSIE (Dutch Evangelical Reformed Church of Canarsie), 1876--. Conklin Ave. and E. 93rd St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1876 with aid of New Brooklyn Church (entry 75), which had conducted occasional services in the Canarsie School house since 1873. Incorporated December 15, 1902 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc.). Present Colonial frame church dedicated September 6, 1877. First clergyman, Rev. John Conrad Dickhaut, 1876-87; ed. under Dr. John C. Guldin of N.Y.C. Present clergyman, Rev. Fred W.A. Sawitzky, 1932--; ed. Albertina Univ., E. Prussia 1907, Mission Home Sem., Plymouth, Wis. 1918.

Minutes: Consistory, 3 vols., 1876-1903, 1903-31, 1932--; (Cur. vol. custody clerk, Henry M. Lankenau, 1194 E. 94th St., Bklyn). Registers: 3 vols., baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1873-1901, 1901-32, 1932--.

113. CENTENNIAL CHAPEL, 1876-93. 3rd Ave., Brooklyn. See First Reformed Church (entry 6-A).

114. ST. PAUL'S (St. Paul's Reformed Church), 1876--. 161st St. and Hillside Ave., Jamaica, Queens.

Organized 1876. Previously organized as St. Paul's German Evangelical Church 1872, became St. Paul's German Lutheran Church of Jamaica, 1873. Present church, dedicated November 3, 1873, frame meeting house, two story frame parsonage, brick and frame church house. First clergyman, Rev. Julius Hones 1876-80. Present clergyman, Rev. Joseph William Fischer, 1922--; ed. Bloomfield Col. 1912, Bloomfield Sem. 1912.

Joseph William Fischer, 60th Anniversary of St. Paul's Reformed Church, N.Y. Consistory, 1933, 18 pp. Loc. NY.

Minutes: General, 1873--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, confirmations, deaths, members, 1 vol., 1873--.

115. ST. PETER'S GERMAN (St. Peter's German Evangelical Reformed Church in Kreischerville), 1881-1918. Kreischerville, Richmond.

Organized 1881 as the Reformed Protestant Church in Kreischerville. Name changed when incorporated March 13, 1882 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 1, p 17). Became defunct 1913. First clergyman, Rev. Jacob J. Ganss, 1882-1912, 1913-15; ed. Basel Switzerland, (Basel) and Karls Schule Switzerland 1880.

116. GRACE (Grace Reformed Church of the City of New York), 1884-1921. 7th Ave. corner 54th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1884 out of the Seventh Avenue Chapel of the Collegiate Church (entry 1-T). Incorporated December 19, 1885 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 13). Disbanded 1921. First clergyman, Rev. Joseph Rankin Duryee, 1884-1921; ed. Rutgers Col. 1874, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1879.





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Joseph R. Duryce, A Review of ... Quarter of a Century, N.Y. Westervelt Press, 1904, 16 pp. Collegiate Church Year Book 1886, N.Y. Church, 1886. Loc. NN.

117. OCEAN HILL (Ocean Hill Protestant Dutch Church), 1885-1938. Herkimer St. and Hopkinson Ave., Brooklyn.

Organized 1885 with aid of New Brooklyn Church (entry 75), where services were conducted until 1887. Incorporated November 30, 1885 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc.). Church dedicated March 1, 1887. Church destroyed by fire and congregation dissolved 1938. First clergyman, Rev. Abraham Messler Quick, 1885-1900; ed. Rutgers Col. 1860, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1864.

Church, Ocean Hill Church Directory 1932-33, N.Y., Consistory, 1933. Loc. New Lots Church, New Lots and Schenck Aves., Bklyn.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1885-1938 (in custody Henry Day Jr. 92 Sumpter St., Bklyn). Elders, 1 vol., 1885-1938. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1888-1936, marriages, 1904-34, members, 1885-34, deaths, 1900-34 (in custody Rev. Howard C. Hasbrouck, pastor New Lots Church, New Lots and Schenck Aves., Bklyn). Financial: 1 vol Treas. journal 1923-38. 1 vol., Treas. ledger, 1923-38. Collections and misc. material 6 bundles, 1933-38. Loc. Mr. R.N. Brower, 649 Macon St., Bklyn.

118. YORKVILLE (Yorkville German Reformed Church), 1885-95. 343 East 84th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1885. Services at 343 East 36th Street. Later at above address until disbanded in 1895. First clergyman, Rev. Gustavus A. Goebel, 1885-95; ed. New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1864.

119. LENOX AVENUE, 1886-1929. 123rd St. and Lenox Ave., Manhattan. See Harlem Collegiate Church (entry 5).

120. HAMILTON GRANGE (Hamilton Grange Church Corporation of New York), 1887-1937. 149th St. and Convent Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1887. Services in graystone Gothic church (now St. Matthews Lutheran Church), corner of Convent Avenue and 145th Street to 1906. Last church, Gothic architecture, brick and brownstone, dedicated 1906. Parish house, 149th Street parsonage, Convent Avenue adjoin church. Property now occupied by Protestant Episcopal Church of the Crucifixion. Consolidated with Fort Washington Church (entry 1-P) 1937. First clergyman, Rev. William Westerfield, Jr., 1888-91; ed. Col. of the City of N.Y. 1864, Union Theological Sem. 1868, studied at Halle and Tübingen Germany 1868-69.

Collegiate Church, Year Book 1938, N.Y., Consistory, 1938, pp 778-93, 834-40. Loc. NN.



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Minutes: Consistory and elders (includes treas. monthly and annual reports), 2 vols., 1887-1935, 1935-37. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1888-1912, marriages, 1888-1910 (lapse after 1893, entry in 1904 and a few in 1910), members, 1913-37 (also alphabetical membership list transcribed from vol. 1). Records in temporary custody of Mr. Richard Fenker, trustee, loc. Hotel Edison, room 629, 110 West 47th Street, Manhattan.

121. SUNSHINE CHAPEL, 1889-1938. 550 West 40th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-U).

122. STEINWAY (Union Church of Steinway), 1890--. 21-69 41st St., Long Island City, Queens.

Organized 1890 as the Steinway Dutch Reformed Church. Named in honor of the Steinway family who gave the land and funds for church. Present frame church dedicated May 31, 1891; parsonage added 1892. Served by stated supply until 1915. First clergyman, Rev. Preston Franklin Strauss, 1915-25; ed. Franklin and Marshall Col. 1909, Columbia Univ. 1915, Union Sem. 1915. Present clergyman, Rev. John A. De Boer 1925--; ed. Columbia Univ., Union Theological Sem., Cooper Union.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1890--. Elders, 1 vol., 1890-- (includes brief historical sketch). Register: Baptisms, marriages, members, burials, 1 vol., 1891--.

123. VERMILYE CHAPEL, 1890-1935. 416 West 54th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-V).

124. CHURCH OF JESUS (Reformed Church of Jesus), 1891--. 7711 - 64th Pl., Glendale, Queens.

Organized 1891 the outgrowth of the Bushwick Avenue Mission conducted by St. Peters Church (entry 101). Services in a frame church on Bushwick Avenue at Monahan Street, Brooklyn, to 1930. Present church Romanesque architecture, of red brick construction, dedicated 1930. First clergyman, Rev. August Guenther, 1893-1902; ed. German. Present clergyman, Rev. Christian Oswald, 1907--; ed. Bloomfield Col. and Sem. 1898.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 6 vols., 1911-15, 1916-20, 1921-25, 1926-30, 1931-35, 1936-- (custody Harry A. Parchmann, 70-31 65th Place). Registers: Baptisms, 1 vol., 1911. Members, 1 vol., 1911. Marriages, 1 vol., 1911--. Financial: 6 vols., 1911-15, 1916-20, 1921-25, 1926-30, 1931-35, 1936--.

125. EDGEWOOD (Edgewood Reformed Dutch Church of Blythebourne, Long Island), 1891--. 53rd St. and 14th Ave., Brooklyn.

Organized 1891 out of the Edgewood House of Prayer founded by New Utrecht Church (entry 11-B), in 1868. Incorporated June 18, 1900 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc. vol 1). Services in a frame chapel on part of present





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site until present church was dedicated in 1903. Norman architecture of graystone construction. First clergyman, Rev. William Ten Eyck Adams, 1891-1906; ed. N.Y. Univ. 1888, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1891. Present clergyman, Rev. Frank Peer Beal, 1926--; ed. Howard Theological Sem.

Minutes: Consistory, 4 vols., 1891-1912, 1913-21, 1921-32, 1933--. Elders, 2 vols., 1892-1912, 1913--. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, 1892-1934, marriages, members, deaths, 1892--. Baptism certificate stubs, 1934--. Financial: Treas. 12 vols., \*annual, except 1927-28, 1923-24, 1935-36. Cash books, 10 vols., \*1890-96, 1890-1900, 1897-1903, 1903-09, 1910-15, 1915-23, 1923-24, 1936-37, 1937-38, 1938--. Receipts and disbursements, 1 vol., 1915-23. Vouchers, 4 pkgs., 1928-29, 1934-35, 1935-36, 1936-37. Cancelled checks, 1 pkg., 1933-37. Check stubs, 4 books, 1928-29, 1929-30, 1930-32, 1932-37. Bills and letters, 2 pkgs., 1930-31, 1931-32. Bank books (3), 1900, 1909 (organ fund), 1910. Bldg. Committee, 1 vol., 1900-04. Sunday School: Minutes and attendance, 1 vol., 1883. Minutes, 9 vols., 1912-14, 1914-16, 1917-19, 1919-21, 1921-23, 1923-25, 1925-27, 1928-30, 1930-33. Attendance, 8 vols., 1895-96, 1896-97, 1898-99, 1899-1900, 1900-02, 1904-05, 1906-07, 1908-09. Attendance and cash book, 1 vol., 1892-95. Cradle roll, 1 vol., 1903-09. Infant class teacher's register, 3 vols., 1896-97, 1897-1901, 1907. Polls (boys and girls), 10 vols., 1901-02, (2 vols.), 1903, 1904, 1905, 1907-08, 1909-10, 1913. Treas. dues book, 1 vol., 1911-13. Treas. report, 1 vol., 1923-24. Intermediate minutes, 1 vol., 1927. Membership rec., 1 vol., 1890-1935. Other records: Ladies Aid Soc. Minutes, 1 vol., 1903-14. Christian Men's League: Minutes, 1 vol., 1923. \*Custody Treas., George C. Hale, 1365 East 17th St., Bklyn.

126. GREENWOOD HEIGHTS (Greenwood Heights Reformed Church of Brooklyn), 1891--. 609 45th St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1892. Formerly known as Greenwood Heights Chapel. Services in apartment house at 40th Street and 7th Avenue. Present stone church dedicated May 23, 1908. First clergyman, Rev. Austin P. Stockwell, 1894-99; ed. Amherst Col. 1862, Union Theological Sem. 1865. Present clergyman, Rev. Daniel Percy Doyle, 1926--; ed. Chicago Theological Sem. 1908.

Daniel P. Doyle, History of Greenwood Heights Church, N.Y., Consistory, 1936. Loc. at church.

Church minutes: 12 vols., 1891-95, 1895-1902, 1902-06, 1906-10, 1910-14, 1914-19, 1919-23, 1923-28, 1928-31, 1931-34, 1934-37, 1937--. Consistory, 1918--. Registers: 1 vol., baptisms, confirmations, marriages, deaths, 1891--.

127. RIDGEWOOD (Ridgewood Reformed Church), 1891--. 1836 Decatur near Forest St., Ridgewood, Queens.

Organized 1891 with aid of Newtown First (entry 19). Services in Ridgewood school, Cooper Avenue and Cypress Street, prior to organization. Present frame church dedicated 1891. Erected frame parsonage, 1839 Decatur Street 1912. New York City Board of Education used church basement for public school, 1904 to 1908. First clergyman, Rev. Jacob Weber, 1895-97.



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Present clergyman, Rev. James J. Hoffman, 1928--; ed. Western Reserve Univ., Cleveland, Ohio 1903, Union Theological Sem. 1906, Columbia Univ. 1909.

Church, Directory and Yearbook of the Ridgewood Reformed Church, Consistory, 1928, 1934, 1935, 1937, 1938. Loc. at church.

Minutes: Elders (contain clippings, history), 1918--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1895--. Sunday School: Members, attendance, financial, 1934--.

128. MIDDLE DUTCH CHURCH, 1892--. 2nd Ave. and 7th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-M).

129. WEST END CHURCH, 1892--. West End Ave. and 77th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-N).

130. ANDERSON MEMORIAL (Anderson Memorial Reformed Church of Belmont), 1893-1929. 675 East 183rd St., Bronx.

Organized 1893. Grew out of Sabbath School under auspices of Fordham Church (entry 15), named for Rev. William Anderson, pastor of church. Services in frame church at above address. Dissolved 1929, most of the members united with West Farms Church (entry 52). First clergyman, Rev. John Giffen, 1893-94; ed. Union Theological Sem. 1893.

James Boyd Hunter, Ten Years of History, 1893-1903, N.Y. Church News Assn. 1903. Loc. NN.

131. CHURCH OF THE COMFORTER (Church of the Comforter, Reformed), 1894--. 279 East 162nd St., Bronx.

Organized 1894, from Sunday school that had met for four months previously in private dwelling, 949 College Avenue. Services in frame house, 907 Morris Avenue until 1897; then in portable frame church, Bonner Place and Morris Avenue until 1902, when it was moved to the present site. Present church dedicated 1907. Gothic architecture, red brick construction with terra cotta trim. Frame parsonage rear of church. First clergyman, Rev. Henry Van Shoohoven Myers, 1894-1903; ed. Williams Col. 1865, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1868. Present clergyman, Rev. Roscoe Mott Giles, 1929--; Hope Col. 1919, Univ. of Mich. 1920, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1923.

Edward B. Irish, Souvenir History of the Church of the Comforter, N.Y., Consistory, 1924, 60 pp. Church, Year Book and Directory of the Church of the Comforter, N.Y., Consistory, 1924. 1st item loc. at church, other at NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 2 vols., 1894--. Elders 3 vols., 1894--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1894--.





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132. THIRTY-FOURTH STREET CHURCH CHAPEL, 1895-1920. 307 West 34th St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-W).

133. UNIVERSITY HEIGHTS, 1895-1900. New York University, University Heights, Bronx. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-C).

134. BAY RIDGE (Bay Ridge Dutch Reformed Church), 1896-1918. 201 80th St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1896 out of the Fort Hamilton Chapel (entry 11-A), started in 1825. Services at above address until consolidated with Bay Ridge Presbyterian Church to become Union Presbyterian Church of Bay Ridge, 1918. First clergyman, Rev. Charles Judson Scudder, 1897-1907; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1889, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1897.

135. SUNNYSIDE COMMUNITY (Sunnyside Reformed Church), 1896--. Skillman Ave. and 48th St., Queens.

Organized 1896. Services in frame church, 36th Street between Foster and Skillman Avenues until 1928. Present red brick church dedicated 1928. Present name assumed 1934. First clergyman, Rev. Daniel P. Doyle, 1896-1903; ed. Moody Bible Institute. Present clergyman, Rev. Stanley J. Verhey, 1933--; ed. Hope Col., New Brunswick Theological Sem.

Minutes; Consistory, 1 vol., 1902-35 (hiatus 1907-21), 1 vol., 1935-- (custody Arthur Boenan, sec'y., 39-45 46th St., L.I. City). Registers; 1 vol., pastor's private record of members, 1896-1913. Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1933--. Financial; 2 vols., 1917-34, 1934-- current vol. custody, George Brien, Treasurer, 47-25 48th St., Woodside, Queens.

136. EMMANUEL (Emmanuel Reformed Protestant Dutch Church), 1897-1908. Glenmore Ave. corner Crystal St., East New York, Brooklyn.

Organized 1897. Commonly known as the German-American Church, and East New York Church. Services at above address until dissolved, 1908. First clergyman, Rev. William H.J. Boetcker, 1898-1902.

Registers; 1 vol., members, 1897, baptisms, confirmations, marriages, deaths, 1898-1907, communicants, 1900-03. Financial: Treas. accts., 1 vol., 1897-1907. Other records; 1 file box, building fund subscription lists, contracts and specifications for building, 1898-99, vouchers, receipts. Loc. NjNbS.

137. BETHANY MEMORIAL (Bethany Memorial Reformed Church), 1898--. 67th St. and First Ave., Manhattan.

Organized 1898 from mission station of Madison Avenue Church (entry 26). Bethany received endowment 1915, with dissolution of Madison Avenue Church. Collegiate Church (entry 1) assumed trusteeship for one hundred



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years, increased endowment 1917. The minister is the representative of Collegiate Church in Bethany Consistory. Services first held in a store, later in a hall; then in brick church, First Avenue and 60th Street until 1909. Present church dedicated January 30, 1910. Tudor architecture, red brick construction; Bethany Memorial Nursery, same design and construction, adjoins church. First clergyman, Rev. Joseph Tucker Lansdale, 1897-1904; ed. Baltimore City Col. 1886, Drew Theological Sem. 1891. Present clergyman, Rev. Paul Dickie, 1929--; ed. Maryville Col. Tenn. Mc Cormick Sem. Chicago.

"The Church of New York", The New York Sun, 1932, #10. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory and Elders, 1898-1918 lost; 1 vol., 1918-- (custody Mr. John Grabar, 246 Calhoun Ave., Bronx). Registers: 1 vol., members, 1898--; baptisms, marriages, deaths, 1904-- (vol. started 1910, earlier records copied). Financial: 3 vols., 1929-34, 1934-37, 1937--. Other records: Sunday School, 2 vols., 1907-29, 1929--.

138. PRINCE'S BAY (The Reformed of Prince's Bay), 1900--. Seguine Ave., Prince's Bay, Richmond.

Organized 1900 from Prince's Bay Union Undenominational Church, begun 1899. Became Prince's Bay Congregational Church 1904; reorganized as a Reformed Church, 1921. Early services in boat house anchored at Seguine Point. Frame church erected Wilbur Street, 1900, occupied until 1914. Present church Gothic architecture, frame, dedicated 1914. First clergyman, Rev. David Junor, 1900-04; ed. Toronto Univ. 1866. First clergyman (after reorganization), Rev. Henry Delavan Frost, 1921-36; ed. Rutgers Col. 1911, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1914. Present clergyman, Rev. Winfield Burggraaf, 1936--; ed. Hope Col. 1922, Western Theological Sem. 1925, Free Univ. Amsterdam, 1928.

Minutes: General, 1 vol., 1905-14. Consistory, 2 vols., 1926--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, deaths, members, 1 vol., 1921--. Financial: Treas. Ledger, 1 vol., 1921--.

139. BETHANY (Bethany Reformed Church), 1902-19. Columbia Heights, Brooklyn.

Organized 1902 by union of Bethany Chapel and North Church (entries 69-A, 72). Services in brick church dedicated 1870 by Bethany Chapel. Dissolved 1919. First clergyman, Rev. James Demarest, 1902-11; ed. Rutgers Col. 1872, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1876.

140. GRACE (Grace Reformed Church of Flatbush), 1903--. Bedford Ave. and Lincoln Rd., Brooklyn.

Organized 1903 from Grace Chapel (entry 2-A), founded 1871. Incorporated July 15, 1903 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc.). Present Gothic-Spanish church dedicated 1899. First clergyman, Rev. Charles Sterling Wyckoff, 1903-10; ed. Rutgers Col. 1883, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1891. Present clergyman, Rev. Rudolph H. Davidson, 1933--.





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Minutes: Consistory, 3 vols., 1899-1901, 1901-26, 1926--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1890--.

141. MARINERS' HARBOR (Mariners' Harbor Reformed Church), 1905--.  
Richmond Terrace and Lockman Ave., Mariners' Harbor, Richmond.

Organized 1905 from branch of Staten Island Church (entry 12-C), begun 1883. Incorporated January 12, 1907 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 3, p 149). Present church dedicated 1883. Small Gothic church, first floor constructed of concrete, upper floor frame. First clergyman, Rev. De Witt G. Rockefeller, 1906-13; ed. Rutgers Col. 1879, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1882. Present clergyman, Rev. Harold Pangburn, 1937--; ed. N.Y. Univ. 1932, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1935.

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142. WOODLAWN (Woodlawn Reformed Church of Brooklyn, New York), 1906--.  
Ave. N and E. 10th St., Brooklyn.

Organized 1906 from Woodlawn Chapel (entry 10-A), founded 1890. Incorporated November 5, 1906 (County Clerk, Rel. Inc.). Services in frame church at East 9th Street between Avenue M and Ryder Avenue until 1924, church remodeled, removed to present site. Present church, 14th century Tudor design, frame, brick and stone construction, dedicated 1925. First and present clergyman, Rev. John Gilmore Addy, 1906--; ed. Princeton Theological Sem. 1897.

John Gilmore Addy, editor, Directory of the Woodlawn Reformed Church, N.Y., Consistory, 1935, 88 pp. Loc. NN.

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143. WINFIELD (Winfield Reformed Church), 1907--. 4212 67th St., Woodside, Queens.

Organized 1907. Originated as Sunday school 1868, became Hope Mission 1880. Services in frame chapel, 67th Street and Queens Boulevard until 1914, when the present church was dedicated. Frame Gothic church with cornerstone inscribed "Winfield Reformed Church - 1914". Frame parsonage adjoining, erected 1930. First clergyman, Rev. William J.H. Miller, 1907-11; ed. Union Theological Sem. Present clergyman, Rev. Donald E. Hicks, 1935--; ed. Hope Col. 1930, New Brunswick Theological Sem.

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144. ELMENDORF CHAPEL, 1908--. 171 East 121st St., Manhattan. See Harlem Collegiate Church (entry 5-A).

145. FAR ROCKAWAY (First Reformed of Far Rockaway), 1909--. Far Rockaway Blvd. opposite Nielson St., Far Rockaway, Queens.

Organized 1909 as German Evangelical Church. Services on Carlton Avenue until 1912, when present Gothic frame church dedicated. Property formerly occupied by First Russel Sage Memorial Presbyterian Church. Present name adopted 1915. First clergyman, Rev. Paul H. Hopf, 1909-15; ed. Western Theological Sem. Present clergyman, Rev. Carl W. Fleth, 1931--; ed. Moody Bible Institute 1922, Bloomfield Theological Sem. 1931.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1930--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 2 vols., 1909-21, 1921--.

146. FORT WASHINGTON, 1909--. Fort Washington and 181st St., Manhattan. See Collegiate Church (entry 1-P).

147. BARREN ISLAND (Barren Island Reformed Church), 1910-16. Barren Island, Brooklyn.

Organized 1910. Became extinct 1916. First clergyman, Rev. Jacob Meier, 1913-16; ed. Bloomfield Theological Sem. 1905.

148. WINDSOR TERRACE (Reformed Church at Windsor Terrace), 1910-18. Windsor Terrace, Brooklyn.

Organized 1910. Dissolved 1918. First clergyman, Rev. William H. Jackson, 1912-13.

149. ZION (Zion German Evangelical Church of New York), 1911--. 1288 Stebbins Ave., Bronx.

Organized 1911 by merger of German Evangelical Church (entry 48) and Zion German Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Services in the latter's church, East 165th Street, Bronx, until 1912. Present church dedicated 1912; rededicated after enlargement, 1929. Gothic architecture, brick with limestone trim. First clergyman, Rev. Julius W. Goyer, 1911-14; ed. Rutgers Col. 1862, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1862. Present clergyman, Rev. Albert Ferdinand Christian Hahn, 1914--; ed. Gymnasium Germany, 1905, Bloomfield Sem. 1908.





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Minutes: Consistory, 3 vols., 1835-50, 1850-73, 1873--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, burials, 3 vols., 1835-50, 1850-73, 1874--. Financial: Treas. accts., 1 vol., 1908--. Records, 1835-1911 are those of the German Evangelical Church.

150. CLOVE ROAD (Clove Road Reformed Chapel), 1915-20. Clove Valley, Richmond.

Organized 1915. Disbanded 1920. First clergyman, Rev. Erich Theodore Muller, 1919-20; ed. New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1919.

151. DOUGLSTON (The Community Church of Douglaston, of New York Inc.), 1919--. 3950 Douglaston Pkwy, Douglaston, Queens.

Organized 1919. Incorporated June 23, 1917 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 2, p 178, #12657). Services in frame chapel on same site until present church was dedicated in 1923. Georgian Colonial architecture, frame and brick construction. Former chapel now Church Annex. Present clergyman, Rev. Eugene M. Flipe, 1921--; ed. Hope Col. 1916, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1920, Rutgers Univ. 1926.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1921-- (includes baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, financial records).

152. TRINITY (The Trinity Reformed Church of Brooklyn, New York), 1919--. Prospect Ave. and Palmetto St., Ridgewood, Brooklyn.

Organized 1919 through merger of St. Peter's (Brooklyn), and Avenue B (Manhattan), Churches (entries 101, 108). Services in red brick Gothic church, previously occupied by St. Peter's, Union Avenue and Scholes Street until 1923. Present church and parsonage adjoining, dedicated February 20, 1927. Modified Gothic architecture, brick with stone trim. Present clergyman, Rev. George G. Wacker, 1919--; ed. Bloomfield Theological Sem. 1898.

Eugene L. Armbruster, Eastern District of Brooklyn, N.Y., Church, 1912. George G. Wacker, Eightieth Jubilee of Trinity Reformed Church, N.Y., Church, 1933, 18 pp. George G. Wacker, editor, The 1933 Trinity Year Book and Directory, N.Y., Church, 1934, 24 pp. Church, Trinity Chimes, 1929--.

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Entry 153-155

153. CHURCH OF THE MASTER (Church of the Master, Reformed), 1924--.  
2988 Eastern Blvd., Bronx.

Organized 1924. Formed as a mission of the New York Classis 1923. Rural type church, dedicated 1923, adjoining church house of frame and stucco construction. First clergyman, Rev. Calvin C. Meury, 1924-26. Present clergymen, Rev. James M. Martin, 1935--; ed. Rutgers Col. 1899, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1902; Permanent Clerk of the General Synod since 1920.

Minutes: Consistory, loose-leaf, 1923--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1924--.

154. MANOR CHURCH (Minister, Elders and Deacons of Manor Church), 1930--.  
350 W. 26th St., Manhattan.

Organized 1923. Originated as Sunday School 120 of the Sabbath School Union 1854, became Manor Mission 1855, and Manor Chapel (entry 28-<sup>A</sup>), under care of South Church 1866. Taken in charge by Classis of New York in 1914. Became an independent church in 1923. Incorporated April 20, 1938 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 66, #3384). Church dedicated 1873; enlarged by addition of church house 1907. Modified Gothic, brick construction. First clergyman, Rev. Charles W. Gulick, 1923-30; ed. Rutgers Col. 1895, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1898. Present clergyman, Rev. John P. Reeves, 1936--; ed. Wesleyan Col. 1914, Univ. of Penn. 1919.

Church, 75th Anniversary Services of Manor Reformed Church, N.Y., Consistory, 1931, 4 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1923--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1860-- (1860-83 copied from South Church Register). Current members, card index file. Other Records: Manor Chapel Register: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 2 vols., 1873-83 (copy, originals with South Church records loc. NjNbS. 1883-1923 (originals). Sunday School enrollment, card index file, 1856--.

155. KEW GARDENS (The First Church of Kew Gardens Reformed), 1925--.  
82-50 Kew Gardens Rd., Kew Gardens, Queens.

Organized 1925. Services in frame house now the parsonage. Present church, Colonial architecture, red brick and frame construction, dedicated 1928. Cornerstone inscribed "The First Church of Kew Gardens, A.D. 1928". First clergyman, Rev. Alexander Wouters, 1925-31; ed. Hamilton Col. 1893, Auburn Sem. 1897. Present clergyman, Rev. George Steinister, 1938--; Hope Col. 1916, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1919, Union Theological Sem. 1926.

Alexander Wouters, History of First Church of Kew Gardens, N.Y., Consistory, 1930. Loc. at church.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1925--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1925--. Financial: Treas. accts., 1 vol., 1925--.





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Entry 156-158

156. CHARLESTON (Charleston Reformed Church), 1927--. Arthur Kill Rd., Charleston, Richmond.

Organized 1927 from undenominational community Sunday school, 9 Phelps Place, founded about 1887. Incorporated March 28, 1928 (County Clerk, Inc. vol 9, p 204). Present church and church house dedicated 1927. Colonial architecture, brick construction. First clergyman, Rev. Arthur B. Boynton, 1927-29; ed. Amherst Col. 1910, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1913. Present clergyman, Rev. Steward J. D. Day, 1930--; ed. Princeton Univ. 1904, Auburn Sem. 1908.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1927--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1927--. Financial: Treas. accts., 1 vol., 1927--.

157. CHURCH ON THE HILL (Church on The Hill, Reformed), 1927--. 167-11 35th Ave., Flushing, Queens.

Organized 1927. Originated as an undenominational mission 1893, became the Broadway Congregational Church 1905. Services in a frame chapel, 162nd Street near 45th Avenue, for several months in 1927. Now used by Norwegian-American Lutheran Church. Met in a store, 35-09 - 169th Street, until present church dedicated in 1929. Red brick, English rural type, with wood trim. Manse house, frame and stucco construction, adjoins church. Present clergyman, Rev. Bradley J. Folensbee, 1927--; ed. Rutgers Univ. 1915, New Brunswick Theological Sem. 1918.

Church, 10th Anniversary of the Church on the Hill Reformed, N.Y., Consistory, 1937, 44 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1927--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, members, deaths, 1 vol., 1927--.

158. QUEENSBORO HILL (Queensboro Hill Community Church, Reformed), 1928--. 138th St. and 60th Ave., Flushing, Queens.

Organized 1928 from a Sunday school conducted at 58-12 134th Street since 1927. Services in store on North Hempstead Turnpike, later in Flushing Wissonomee Country Club until present church dedicated 1932. Early Tudor architecture, brick, frame and stucco, construction. Present clergyman, Rev. Joseph E. Carlin, 1928--; ed. N.Y. Univ. 1908.

Joseph E. Carlin, Directory and Year Book of the Queensboro Hill Community Church, N.Y., Consistory, 1933, 16 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, (loose leaf) 1928--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, burials, membership, 1 vol., 1928--.





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Entry 159-161

159. CAMBRIA HEIGHTS COMMUNITY (Cambria Heights Community Reformed Church), 1929--. 116th Ave. and 220th St., St. Albans, Queens.

Organized 1928. Services in frame house, 116-03 219th Street, now the parsonage rear of church, until present church was dedicated 1933. Colonial architecture, brick and frame construction. Present clergyman, Rev. Millard M. Gifford, 1932--; ed. Union Theological Sem. 1932.

Millard M. Gifford, Cambria Heights Community Church 10th Anniversary, N.Y., Consistory, 1938, 26 pp. Loc. NN.

Minutes: Consistory, 1 vol., 1929--. Registers: Baptisms, marriages, deaths, members, 1 vol., 1929--.

160. EAST 89TH STREET CHURCH, 1929--. 67 E. 89th St., Manhattan. See Harlem Collegiate Church (entry 5-B).

161. WILLIAMSBRIDGE ROAD (Williamsbridge Reformed Church in America), 1936--. 1625 Williamsbridge Rd., Bronx.

Organized 1936. Originated as The Annex of the West Farms Church (entry 52-A), in 1932. Red brick Colonial church, dedicated 1933. First clergyman, Rev. William E. Phifer, 1932-35; ed. Davisson Col. (N.C.) 1896, Union Theological Sem. Richmond, Va. 1903. Present clergyman, Rev. Marvin Frederick Hall, S.S., 1935--; ed. N.Y. Univ. (special courses).

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